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RUSSIA'S ADOPTION OF THE OFFENSIVE IN POLAND MOST STRIKING WAR NEWS OF DAY

Plans for Capture of Warsaw Being Pushed, Say the German Reports.

ACTIVE IN CARPATHIANS

Little News From East Prussia and Little Change in Western Zone.

London, Feb. 8. — Russia's unexpected adoption of the offensive in Poland, from where the Germans apparently have been withdrawing some forces both to the north and south, furnished the most striking feature of the European war today.

From German sources it is insisted that the plans for the capture of Warsaw still are being pushed. But the Russians claim several minor successes at various points and declare the German attack reached its climax several days ago.

Another huge segment of the Russian army is continuing its efforts for a firmer foothold in the Carpathians, but it is admitted that the Germans and Austrians have gained some ground. At one point a severe snowstorm is said to have aided the Austro-Hungarian troops in an action, which Vienna states has resulted in heavy losses to the Russian forces in Dukla Pass.

From East Prussia there is little news, the Germans claiming to have the situation well in hand, so far as concerns the prevention of a further Russian advance without the most severe fighting.

No Change in the West.

In France and Flanders the situation is without change. Both sides are alert for the slightest indication of activity on the part of their opponents.

The British and French undoubedly are taking advantage of every day's delay to throw in reinforcements.

Army affairs were discussed in the British House of Commons today and the prime minister made the statement that British casualties from the beginning of the war had reached a total of 104,000.

This is an average of 4,000 men weekly, in killed wounded and missing.

"EYE WITNESS" TALKS.

Pays Tribute to Work of Allies' Army Supply Departments.

London, Feb. 8.—An "eye witness" at the British general army headquarters in France pays a tribute in an article given out today by the official press bureau to the excellent work of the army supply departments, mentioning particularly that of the ordnance department which supplies all clothing, equipment, tools and machinery, as well as arms and ammunition.

"The ordnance department is a military universal provider," says the writer.

"It is difficult to say which is the most striking—the actual mass of material handled or the bewildering variety of articles stocked.

"The vastness of the work of maintaining a modern army may be guaged by the fact that during the past month the supplies furnished included 450 miles of telephone wire, 530,000 sand bags and 10,000 pounds of shoe blacking, while in ten days the ordnance department supplied 120,000 fur waist coats and 300,000 flannel belts. The average weekly issue of ointment for feet is five tons.

"The complexity of the work is illustrated by the fact that the index of the stores include 50,000 separate kinds of articles. Most of these still are obtained from England but some are being manufactured by the ordnance department in its workshops in France. The problems of distribution and accounting require a surprisingly large staff."

FROM RUSSIAN GENERAL STAFF.

Official Communication Issued at Petrograd Last Night.

Petrograd, Feb. 8.—The following communication from the general staff was issued tonight:

"On the right bank of the Vistula, in the region of Serpetz the engagements have assumed a character of increased violence. Vangaurd encounters also are reported on the Khorjele-Myschenetz-Johannesbourg line.

"On the left bank of the Vistula artillery fire is still being maintained, but the attitude of the enemy is passive.

"The attempt to pierce our front in the region of Borjimow and Wola Szydlowiecka, which began January 31, was stopped on February 6, in spite of important forces which were brought into the action. We owe this success to the gallantry of our troops. In that

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FARRELL SAYS THE TIDE HAS TURNED

"The Elements of Prosperity Are at Hand," He Declares.

REMEDY FOR DULL TIMES

Co-operation in Building and Confidence in the Restoration of Prosperity Urged by President of Steel Corporation.

Pittsburgh, Feb. 8.—James A. Farrell, president of the United States Steel Corporation, took an optimistic view of the business outlook in an address here tonight before the Engineers' Society of Western Pennsylvania. Co-operation in business and confidence in the restoration of prosperity were offered as a remedy for dull times.

Mr. Farrell quoted European and American authorities who estimate American excess of exports over imports in 1915 at $1,000,000,000 and declared the years of greatest prosperity in the United States had been when trade balances were on this side.

"The elements of prosperity are at hand," said Mr. Farrell. "The steel trade has been called the barometer of business; there is a marked increase inorders and operations; more men are obtaining employments and the trade movement is progressing and encouraging, and we should do everything practicable to sustain and advance it."

Mr Farrell said that a few weeks ago "it seemed as if the prospects of a material improvement in business were doubtful, but apparently the tide has turned an deach day records a marked improvement in the general situation."

"It seems to me," he continued, "that the time has come when co-operation should manifest itself among business men to bring about conditions which will result in a larger employment of labor.

"As business men let us give our attention to solving industrial unrest by creating work, and creating a normal circulation in the arteries of commerce. Our problems are national, our opportunities are national, let us hear more of national common sense, and see if we cannot get back to work. Public sentiment and governmental inclination unmistakably favor a-live-and-let-live attitude towards business."

There is a strong sentiment, Mr. Farrell said, for co-ordinated effort in trade activities. Confidence in the business future of the country, he declared, is growing and a trade balance is piling up that will place the business of the country on firm foundations.

"We are the only nation at the present time in a position to assume the role of the world's banker," he said.

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BLADEN MAN CHARGED WITH KILLING NEGRO

Homicide Occurred at East Arcadia Sunday.

George Dowless, of Bladen, Placed in Columbus Jail Following Verdict of Coroner's Jury Charging Him With Killing.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Whiteville, N. C., Feb. 8.—George F. Dowless, a well known white man of Bladen county, was placed in jail here today following the verdict rendered by a coroner's jury yesterday afternoon charging him with the killing of Joe Munn, a middle aged negro man.

The verdict rendered by the jury at the inquest, according to a statement made here this morning, was that Joe Munn came to his death by a pistol in the hands of George Dowless during a drunken affray. This is denied, however, by Dowless and Deputy Nicholson, of Bladen, states that the evidence at the coroner's inquest was that the negro attacked Dowless from behind as the latter was leaving the home of a Mr. Griffin near East Arcadia.

Dowless was brought over this morning from East Arcadia and turned over to the officers here and it is understood that efforts will be made to have him released under bail.

Application for bail will probably be made before Judge Oliver Allen at Fayetteville tomorrow. Lewis & Powell and Schulken, Toon & Schulken have been employed to defend Dowless and it is reported that relatives of the dead negro will employ counsels to aid the prosecution.

Washington, Feb. 8.—Secretary Garrison today decided to withdraw the first squadron, fifth cavalry, sent into the Arkansas coal regions several months ago to enforce Federal court orders during a labor disturbance. The troops will return to Fort Sheridan, Ill., within a few days. There has been no trouble since the troops reached the scene.

INCREASE ANNUAL INCOME $300,000

Committee's Estimate of New Revenue Bill Introduced.

FORE[illegible] BILL O. K.'D

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS WASHINGTON, D. C.

Offer [illegible]hase A. & N. C. Railroad w[illegible]n—Many Purely Local [illegible]assed in Both Houses [illegible]egislature Yesterday.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 8.—The Revenue bill was introduced in the House today from the finance committee by Representative Doughton as chairman and it was made a special order for Wednesday noon when the House, in committee of the whole, will consider it by sections.

The joint finance committee believes that, with the adjustment of the machinery act that the committee will now undertake, there will be an increase of possibly $300,000 in the annual revenue of the State, if the revenue bill is passed as offered by the committee.

The biggest change from the old revenue act is, as heretofore published, in the inheritance tax in which the New York graduated scale of taxation has been substituted for the flat rate this State has been applying. It is through the pending revision of the machinery act that it is planned to give the revenue bill its greatest advance as a raiser of revenue.

Representative Foster introduced a bill to abolish capital punishment.

The House received with favorable report from committee the Forestry Association bill for conservation of forests, prevention of forest fires and to secure Federal co-operation. It carries a $10,000 appropriation.

The House discussed at much length the Brockett bill to raise the age of consent on the part of girls from 14 to 16. Opposition led by Bowie, of Ashe, brought defeat of the bill which came up under favorable minority report from committee.

A bill introduced in the Senate today would discharge the 1913 special commission to investigate as to the proposed sale of the State's stock in the Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad. This meaning that the offer to purchase has been withdrawn.

Large numbers of purely local bills were passed in both branches of the Legislature.

The Senate indulged in another debate of the Snow bill to prevent putting prisoners on trial with shaved or clipped heads and in prison garb as is the practice in Wake county, and the bill was passed with slight amendment.

Now the Machinery Bill.

There was begun this afternoon by the joint finance committee the work of preparing the machinery bill to back up the revenue bill, introduced in the House today. There is special effort at the very beginning of this work to readjust the machinery so as to give the revenue bill an additional revenue raising power of around $300,000 without increasing the burdens of anybody.

It looks like preliminary steps for the final adoption of a State policy of the actual assessment of all property for taxation at its money value with the tax rate automotically fixed by the aggregate of property assessments and the State revenues to be raised will be launched at this session, the committee to devise a plan for getting before the next Legislature the concrete data through the State Tax Commission that will form a basis for that Legislature to act in actually applying this reform.

Chairman Doughton is pressing a provision he has prepared to require the State Tax Commission to submit suggestive revenue and machinery acts to the finance committee of future Legislatures. The work on the machinery bill will require at least all this week to get it in shape for introduction.

SENATE PROCEEDINGS

The Senate was convened at noon, President Daughtridge in the chair.

There was an unfavorable report for the bill by Senator Snow for the Confederate Veterans in the soldiers' Home.

New Bills Introduced.

New bills were introduced as follows:

Thompson, of Iredell—Amend and revise the charter of the Davenport college for women.

Ward—Dispense with the committee to investigate the sale of the stock of the Atlantic & North Carolina railroad.

McAuley—Prohibit the manufacture, sale and giving away of liquors within five miles of Stoney Point Baptist church, Montgomery county.

Passed Third Reading.

Bills passed final reading as follows:

Protect public roads in Greene county.

Provide highway commission for Mount Airy township, Surry county, and provide for road building.

Correct an error in the Burke county road law.

Incorporate the town of West Jefferson, ordered enrolled for ratification.

Incorporate Baulehville, Duplin county.

Authorize bonds for Gastonia schools.

Authorize a special tax for paying off the floating debt of Burke county.

Amend the Lincoln county road law.

Authorize bonds by Ayden for water, lights and sewerage.

Amend the Stanly county road law.

Amend the charter of Salisbury and extend the city limits.

Authorize bonds for the town of Raeford.

Provide for bonds for Clayton's floating debt.

Amend the law as to Mecklenburg county jail.

Authorize $100,000 bonds by Gastonia for municipal improvements.

Authorize special tax in Ashe county for building bridges.

Authorize funding bonds for certain townships in Greene county.

Authorize special tax in Rutherford county.

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REPUBLICANS AND THEIR ALLIES ON DEFENSIVE AGAIN

Motion to Recommit Ship Purchase Bill Again Before the Senate.

FILIBUSTER IS RENEWED

Opposition Renews Speaking While Administration Senators Are Determined Not to Yield—Extra Session in Prospect.

Washington, Feb. 8.—Administration forces of the Senate, pushing the ship purchase bill, succeeded late today in again putting the Republicans and their seven Democratic allies on the defensive. They got before the Senate a motion to recommit the bill and discussed a motion by the opposition to recess until tomorrow.

Accepting the inevitable, the opposition renewed its declaration of unrelenting war. Unable to recess or adjourn and determined to oppose the bill even until adjournment on March 4, if necessary, Republicans resumed general debate in another protracted session which showed no signs of ending at a late hour tonight.

After this turn in the already long legislative struggle, the Democratic champions of the bill asserted that the measure would not be withdrawn and that the great appropriation bills would not be withdrawn and that the great appropriation bill would be ignored should the opposition insist on preventing a vote. Even the President intimated that there was no thought of yielding to the ship bill's enemies.

Such a situation, it generally was conceded, would necessitate an extra session of Congress.

The only way to obviate this, it was suggested would be for the Senate to adopt some form of cloture to force a vote on the ship bill, but even administration leaders deemed this unlikely.

Republicans and the Democratic insurgents were forced to renew debate when Senator Fletcher offered a motion to recommit the bill with instructions to the commerce committee to report it with amendments forthwith. Senaor Fletcher sought to get a vote on his motion but the opposition attempted to recess until tomorrow. The recess motion was lost 48 to 47 with Senator Kenyon the only absentee. Senators Norris and Lafollette voted against the recess while Senators Clarke, Camden, Bankhead, Hardwick, Hitchcock, O'Gorman and Vardaman, the seven Democratic insurgents, stood solidly with the Republican minority.

The opposition then was forced to resume debate. Senator Lodge opening the discission, declaring that no vote in Fletcher motion would be permitted if it possibly could be avoided.

When the night session wa sassured Senator Jones, of Washington, took the floor and launched into a speech designed to extend throughout the night. Senator Jones declared he would talk until March 4, if it was physically possible and necessary to defeat the bill.

Few senators on either side remained in the chamber after 8 o'clock, leaders of both parties having left men on guard in case it should be necessary to send for reinforcements. Scores of senators prepared to spend the night in committee rooms adjacent to the Senate chamber.

When the Senate recessed Friday until today it had before it Senator Clarke's motion to recommit the bill

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VILLA'S ANNOUNCEMENT OFFICIALLY CONFIRMED

That He Assumed "Executive Power" in Mexico.

Says Action Was "Rendered Necessary' by the Inability of the Sovereign Convention to Communicate With Northern States.

El Paso, Texas, Feb. 8.—General Carranza in a telegram today from Vera Cruz denied that he had ordered the execution of four American officials of the Southern Pacific Railway of Mexico in Sonora. His local agents said that if any such orders had been issued it had been done by the local Sonora officials.

Villa agents today denied that Monterey had fallen. They based their denial on receipt of a telegram today from General Angeles at Monterey.

Villa is reported as having moved west from Irapuato toward Guadalajara.

Washington, Feb. 8.—General Villa's announcement of his assumption of the "executive power" in Mexico was confirmed in official reports to the State Department today from George C. Carothers, American agent with Villa, and by Enrique C. Llorente, Villa's representative here. Villa announced that his action had been "rendered necessary by reason of the temporary inability of the sovereign convention to communicate freely with the Northern States of the republic."

The Carranza agency here made public tonight a telegram from General

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LARGEST IN GREAT BRITAIN'S HISTORY

Military Budget Introduced in House of Commons.

ATTACK PRESS BUREAU

Joseph King Declares it Ought to Be Used for Freer Dissemination of Authentic Information—Others Make Defense.

London, Feb. 8.—The introduction of the largest military budget in the history of Great Britain shared the stage in the House of Commons today with a discussion of the official press bureau's activities.

The task of introducing the budget fell on the parliamentary secretary of the war office, H. J. Tennant, as Earl Kitchener's secretary of war, is a member of the House of Lords.

Two more days have been allotted to the discussion of the "army estimates" which are called a "blank check budget" because the accounts of actual money which will be expended under them are represented by nominal or token figures. Tennant's speech was a stirring tribute to the British army and a plea for more recruits.

"It is true," he said, "that recruiting thus far has been satisfactory but it varies from week to week, and possibly at the present moment, a little more energy put into recruiting would not be out of place. There is no cause for discontent but we want more men. Every man will be needed in this great life and death struggle. The variations and vicissitudes of this war yet may call for even greater sacrifices from the nation than have yet been made."

The under-secretary appealed to the labor party to help organize labor forces so that when a man joined the colors his place would be supplied.

Press Bureau Discussed.

The press bureau discussion was brought on by a motion by Joseph King, liberal of North Somerset, "that the action of the press bureau in restricting the freedom of the press and withhilding information about the war has been guided by no clear principles and has been calculated to cause suspicion and discontent."

Mr. King urged that the press bureau issue a daily or tri-weekly statement, as to the progress, successes and reverses of the British forces at the front. He added:

"The Press Bureau ought to be used for freer dissemination of authentic information which would allay alarming and dangerous rumors."

Sir Stanley O. Buckmaster, director of the press bureau, defended its work. He declared he never had withheld for five minutes any information he possessed. Moreover he had published instantly everything that it was in his power to publish.

"I can conceive nothing," he said, "better calculated to give satisfaction to our enemies, who are endeavoring to discredit our official news, than the announcement that it has been suggested in the House of Commons that the press bureau is the subject of suspicion."

Mr. Buckmaster declared the press bureau was actuated solely by the desire to apply fairly and impartially the rules laid down for its guidance by the different departments of state.

Andrew Bonar-Law, leader of the opposition declared those who supported the motion desired only to point out certain things which needed altering.

"If Mr. Buckmaster is not responsible,' he said, "why is not a representative of the war office present to accept the responsibility? There is nothing worse for a country than concealment of disasters until the end of the war."

Harold Smith, Unionist, for Warrington, defended the bureau declaring the final decision as to what it is believed published rested with Earl Kitchener and Winston Spencer Churchill. Whereupon, a member inquired: "Has Lord Kitchener or Sir John French ever asked for relaxation of the censorship?"

To this Mr. Buckmaster replied: "No."

Mr. King's amendment was negatived without division.

VON BEULOW DENIES STATEMENT

That Germany Would Not Demur if Austro-Hungary Were Destroyed.

Budapest, Feb. 8 (via Amsterdam and London).—The newspaper Azest today publishes an interview which its Rome correspondent had with Prince Von Beulow, the German ambassador to Italy, in which the former imperial chancellor denies he told the Italian government that Germany would not demur if the Austro-Hungarian monarchy were destroyed. He added:

"Germany is as little inclined to leave the monarchy in the lurch as the monarchy is inclined to conclude a separate peace."

Regarding the Italian policy, Prince Vou Beulow says he was confident that the wisdom and judgment of the Italian government would enable it to find the righ troad to travel.

"Moreover,' 'the ambassador is quoted as saying, "Austria-Hungary will facilitate an arrangement whereby Italy henceforth will be able to maintain an untroubled understanding with the Central powers."

FIRE IN STEAMER GRINDON HALL STILL BURNING.

British Vessel Laden With Sugar, at Norfolk, Not Yet Safe.

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 8.—Fire in the hold of the British steamer Grindon Hall, where 8,600 tons of sugar are stored, was still burning tonight, despite the fact that several tugs had been pumping steam into the vessel since early Sunday morning.

The hatches were opened this afternoon, but the fire was burning so fiercely that it was decided to batten them down again and continue pumping steam into the vessel. The hatches will be opened again tomorrow.

GERMAN NAVAL MEASURES AGAINST BRITISH TRADE IN NO SENSE A BLOCKADE

WORK OF COTTON LOAN PLAN ENDED

None of the $135,000,000 Fund Has Been Borrowed.

BUT VERY BENEFICIAL

Applications Amounted to Only $28,000 and This Not Obtained From the Fund But Other Sources. No More Applications.

Washington, Feb. 8.—Loans under the $135,000,000 cotton fund plan have been closed and the plan virtually ended its existence tonight with the announcement from the central committee—the Federal Reserve Board, acting as individuals—that subscriptions probably will be not called for. Applications amounted to only $28,000 and this was not obtained from the fund, but elsewhere on notes and collateral offered with the applications.

Subscribers, the central committee points out, have not been released from liability for their proportionate share of the $28,000, but if all the loans are paid, subscriptions will not be needed.

The announcement says that subscriptions aggregated $101,036,100 from 487 banks and 185 firms and 17 individuals, ranging from $10 0to $5,000,000 and representing 64 cities in 19 states and the District of Columbia.

"The beneficial effects of the fund," says the announcement, "are not to be measured by the small amounts actually loaned. Its benefits consisted largely in the public knowledge that there was a source of assistance which could be confidently looked to and availed of. When the organization of the cotton loan fund was undertaken, the exchanges were closed, fixed quotations for cotton were unobtainable, demand for the staple was light and sales were being made in some instances at prices as low as 5 cents a pound. The buying movement which set in following the establishment of this fund has carried up to 8 cents and exports since December 1 have exceeded those for the same period of a year ago."

The committee expresses its thanks to bankers and business men active in working out details and say the chairman has addressed letters to State committee chairmen thanking them for assistance.

In a letter to Class A subscribers to the fund, the committee says that the three per cent. guarantee fund contributed by borrowers to cover expenses and losses was insufficient to meet expenses and would have made the cost of loans so great that the amounts contributed for this purpose have been returned. The expenses of the cotton loan committee and of the state and local committees so far as the central committee knows have been borne by the individuals composing those committees.

PART OF DACIA'S CREW REFUSES TO GO ACROSS

Steamer With Cotton for Rotterdam Fails to Sail.

The Dacia Completes Coaling and Moves Out Into Srteam at Norfolk, But Eleven Men Ask for Their Discharge.

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 8.—The American steamer Dacia, with a cargo of cotton for Rotterdam, failed to sail from this port today because at least 11 members of her crew refused to go with the vessel.

The Dacia completed coaling and moved out into the stream early today. She was scheduled to sail at noon, but when members of her crew insisted on being paid off, Captain McDonald decided to look for new men.

W. B. Carmichael, a fireman, who said he represented other members of the crew, appeared before Collector of Customs Hamilton and requested that he be given his discharge and the wages due him. He said there had been trouble among the fire room crew. He also stated that he anu several of his shipmates were afraid to sail with the Dacia for fear she would be captured by British warships. He was paid off. Others appeared before the shipping commissioner and demanded their wages and were paid off. Five men complained of being sick and were discharged.

The work of securing men to take the places of those who left the ship today had not been completed tonight.

Captain McDonald says he did not know when the Dacia will sail. Her agents say she will probably get away tomorrow. The new men for the crew have orders to report on board the steamer at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Rome, Feb. 8.—A royal decree orders that soldiers of the second category, classes of 1893 and 1894, who should have returned home shall be detained under the colors until May 31, 1915.

No Hostile Action Against Neutral Shipping Contemplated, Says Berlin.

DISCUSSED BY WILSON

German Proclamation and Lusitania Incident of Much Concern to Him.

Berlin, via The Hague and London, Feb. 8.—Germany's naval measures against British commerce are in no sense a blockade. No hostile action against neutral shipping is contemplated. German submarines and warships will endeavor by every means in their power to avoid sinking neutral ships, and will take every precaution to avoid a mistake.

This may be taken as the correct interpretation of the German proclamation as expressed in competent circles in Berlin.

The proclamation declaring the waters around Great Britain to be a war zone like similar British measures taken as a precedent, is designed, it is asserted, to warn neutrals that a ship venturing in the naval field of operations exposes itself as does a civilian wandering on a battlefield.

It was stated today that it might be safely asserted that the Germans do not intend sinking an American ship unless she carries contraband, and then only if her crew can be given the possibility of escape.

Taste of Britain's Medicine.

It was added, however, that war measures would be carried out against British trade with all possible severity in order "to give England a taste of her own medicine."

The warning to neutral shipping, it was asserted, was considered as particularly needed in view of the reported order to British ships to hoist neutral flags when they are in danger, an order which, if adhered to, it was stated would make it difficult for any warship to discriminate between neutral and hostile shipping.

German Newspapers' View.

A number of the German newspapers assert that the memorandum accompanying the proclamation of February 6 made it clear that Germany does not intend starting a war against neutral trade. They declare, however, that Germany was within her rights in declaring the zone around the British islands a war area, in which it is dangerous for neutral vessels to venture on account of mines or naval operations as well as owing to the possibility of mistakes being made in submarine warfare—a danger which they assert has been enormously increased by Great Britain's "resort to neutral flags."

The newspapers assert that if the United States wishes to protest it should do so first to Great Britain, whose alleged abuse of neutral flags, as was reported in the case of the Lusitania, threatens, they say, the safety of ships.

The Vossische Zeitung declares that it welcomes the incident as the occasion for a free interchange of views between Germany and the United States which may result, like the pending Anglo-American negotiations on the protest against delays in clearing up the situation.

"If America feels called upon to send a protest to Berlin," says the Vossiche Zeitung, "it will be met in quite as friendly a spirit as in London and will find Germany ready to establish a joint discussion what Germany, while maintaining the vital interests which are as important to her as they are to England can do to avoid as far as possible the damaging of the American interests."

As to the danger announced in the German warning, the newspaper says in many cases, it will be impossible to protect neutral ships against it. It is not a question of a German submarine torpedoing neutrals in the belief that they are illegally flying a neutral flag but rather a question of risk from mines.

"When the government declared certain waters as a war area, the Vossiche Zeitung continues, "it reserved the right to use all permissible war measures therein and it will not make a later specific declaration of where and when mines are laid within these waters after February 18th."

CONFERENCES IN WASHINGTON.

Proclamation and Lusitania Incident Both Considered Grave.

Washington, Feb. 8.—Informal discussion by President Wilson with his advisers of German notification of the dangers to which neutral ships may be subjected in the newly prescribed war zones around Great Britain and Ireland and the use by the British line Lusitania of the American flag, foreshadowed today a diplomatic correspondence between the United States

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GERMANY IMPOSES TAX ON BELGIAN REFUGEES

"Confiscation in Violation of The Hague Convention."

In These Words It is Denounced by the Belgian Legation—Tax Equal to Ten Times Usual Personal Tax Imposed.

Washington, Feb. 8.—The Belgian legation issued a statement today denouncing a tax imposed by Germany upon Belgian refugees who do not return to the country by March 1 as a confiscation in violation of the Hague convention. The statement was issued after Minister Havenith had called at the State Department. It reads:

"A great number of Belgians, amounting nearly to one million, fled from their country, to save their lives and safeguard their honor, after the burning of many houses, the slaughter of many harmless citizens and the devastation of the country committed by the German troops.

"Now the German government imposes a tax, equal to ten times the usual personal tax to all Belgians absent from their country who shall not be back in Belgium before March 1, 1915.

"The German government, after having imposed an enormous war levy of 480,000,000 francs ($96,000,000) upon Belgium, already ruined by war and numerous exactions, made on December 14th, 1914, the formal promise that no further taxes would be imposed upon the country.

"The new taxation laid upon the absent Belgians is therefore not only a violation of The Hague conventions, but constitutes the breach of a most solemn pledge.

"It has not the character of a taxation, but in fact, it amounts to a real confiscation."

INCREASE ANNUAL INCOME $300,000

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Provide for a special tax by Stokes county commissioners.

Amend the Macon county road law.

Authorize the employment of a road superintendent in Lee county who is not a civil engineer.

Provide for the creation of a pension fund for the police force of the city of Wilmington.

Amend the law as to courts in Onslow county.

Amend the law as to Lincoln county superior courts.

Regulate fees in Wake county for registering chattel mortgages and other notes.

Architects License Bill.

A bill to provide a board of examiners for licensing architects came up and met with considerable opposition and went over to another day. In opposing the bill, Senator Muse argued that there is no reason for this board of examiners for architects. Public health demanded the licensing of physicans, dentists and the like but there was so such reason for architects.

The Senate passed the bill to amend the charter of Davenport Female College and then took up the Snow bill to prevent the dressing of prisoners in prison uniforms and the shaving of their heads when brought to trial. This was the bill that was argued so strenuously Saturday and was brought over as unfinished business.

A substitute was offered by Senator Ward to avoid complications when a prisoner has his hair cut in prison. Senators Snow did not like the Ward substitute, saying that it also left out the penalty on officers for violating the law. He said it took the heart out of his bill. The amendment was voted down. Then the Snow bill passed with an amendment by Senator Muse excepting prisoners brought in from the roads for trial.

The Senate adjourned to 10:30 o'clock Tuesday.

HOUSE PROCEEDINGS.

The House was convened at noon by Speaker Wooten.

There were sent forward a score of additional petitions for the enactment of the State Anti-Saloon League bill for the prohibition of the delivery of liquors.

There came from the committee a favorable report for the bill for the conservation of the forests of the State from the ravages of forest fires and the bill takes its place on the calendar.

New Bills Introduced.

New bills were introduced as follows:

Clayton—Authorize bonds by Swan Quarter.

Foster—Abolish capital punishment.

Gibbs—Repeal the 1911 Swain county road law.

Bell—Require the building of roads and bridges in Chowan county.

Etheridge—Provide regulation for the barbed wire fences in Dare county.

Killian—Abolish the office of treasurer in Clay county.

Williams, of Yadkin—Prevent the moving of property at public sales until it is paid for.

Meekins—Provide for the improvement of roads in certain townships in Tyrrell county.

Mickle and Hanes—Place the jailor of Forsyth county on the fee system of compensation. Abolish the office of county treasurer for Forsyth county on the expiration of the term of the incumbent.

Bennett—Appoint justices of the peace in Montgomery county.

Page—Regulate the holding of courts in Montgomery county.

Hewett—Encourage shell fish industry in Brunswick county.

Witherspoon—Provide special tax for certain indebtedness in Cherokee.

Valentine—Fix the salaries of certain officers in Henderson county.

Dunning—Regulate the fees of commissioners in Martin county.

Noland—Grant relief for J. S. Cowan, tax collector. Cure certain probate defects.

Foster—Amend the reciprocity clause of the medical act.

Allred—Provide good roads for Benson township, Johnston county.

Stacy—Authorize bonds for roads and bridges in New Hanover county.

Stacy, (by request)—Amend the Revisal as to administrators.

Doughton—The Revenue Bill: On motion it was ordered that 300 copies be printed and that the bill be taken up as a special order Wednesday at noon in committee of the whole.

Clark—Regulate conveyances by husbands while the wife is insane.

Conley—Authorize bonds by the town of Marion for floating debts. Amend the charter of Marion.

Hampton—Authorize a special tax by Currituck county.

Passed Third Reading.

Bills passed final reading as follows:

Authorize bonds in Sylvia township, Jackson county.

Build roads in Gatesville township, Gates county.

Amend the Revisal of 1905 consolidating New Hanover and Brunswick counties as a wreck district.

Prevent the sale or shipping of quail in Davie county.

Prevent hunting and killing rabbits in Person county.

Incorporate certain churches in Montgomery county.

Amend the 1913 act creating the office of auditor in New Hanover county, making his term of office four years instead of two.

Amend the law as to Vance county recorder's court.

Regulate the buying and selling of quail in Chatham, Guilford, Randolph, Davidson, Anson and Macon counties.

Amend the law as to hunting and trapping in Henderson county.

Appoint D. L. Teague as game warden in Alexander county.

Regulate hunting in Yancey county.

Regulate the pay of jurors in Vance.

Amend the Carteret county road law.

Brockett Bill Killed.

The House took up the Brockett bill for raising the age of consent on the part of girls from 14 to 16 years. The bill was strenuously advocated by Representatives Brockett and Valentine, who were the signers of the minority favorable report. The bill was strongly opposed by Representatives Bowie and Grier, of Iredell, as a dangerous measure. The argument took wide range and was not entered upon until the galleries had been cleared of ladies. The bill was voted down 47 to 42 and on motion of Representative Doughton there was a motion to reconsider and then table that motion, this course being taken to make it impossible to recall the bill for consideration again at this session.

The House adjourned to 10:30 o'clock Tuesday morning.

Chicago, Feb. 8.—The will of the late Edward Tilden, packer and banker, who died last Friday, was filed for probate today, and disposes of an estate estimated at $3,150,000.

WALKER W. VICK MAKES ADDITIONAL CHARGES

Testifies at Inquiry Into Fitness of Sullivan.

Sullivan Endeavored to Pave the Way for Negotiating Loan of Half Million Through Banks for Dominican Government.

Washington, Feb. 8.—Walker Vick, former collector general of the Dominican customs, made new charges here today in the investigation of the fitness of James M. Sullivan to be minister to Santo Domingo. His testimony today was offered to show that Sullivan, with the knowledge of the government at Washington, and without the approval of the Dominican Congress, had endeavored to pave the way for negotiating a $500,000 loan for the Dominican government through banks in the republic.

Vick asserted that W. W. Smith, secretary of the legation, first told him of the proposed loan, and that later a Dominican banker showed him a letter from Sullivan which was sent to the three banks in San Domingo City seeking to open negotiations for the loan. A copy of this letter was placed in the record. It set forth that Sullivan had been instructed by his government to arrange the loan; that Dominican bonds would be issued to repay it and that the United States would agree to an extension of the legal limit of the Dominican debt to cover the amount. The recent revolution brought the entire matter to a close, Vick said.

Denies Charges.

Vick denied charges as to his peraonal conduct made by H. S. Dickey and supported by an affidavit of two Dominicans. He discussed at length various charges made against him in the course of the hearings and denied that a mining scheme with which he was once connected had "swindled the public out of $6,000,000."

RUSSIA'S OFFENSIVE MOST STRIKING NEWS

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particular encounter the Germans made extensive use of explosive bullets.

"In the lower Bzura region we continued to progress and on February 7, having forced three successive rows of wire entanglements we captured a strong German point of support near the cemetery of the village of Mominoy, taking prisoners the remainder of the garrison, five officers and more than 350 soldiers. A counter attack by the Germans an hour later was repulsed with heavy losses to the enemy.

"In the Carpathians our offensive is proceedings. On the Mezolaborcz-Lutowisko front we captured several strongly fortified positions and about 60 officers, more than 3,500 soldiers and eleven machine guns."

BY WIRELESS FROM BERLIN

War Developments From the Viewpoint of the German Government.

Berlin, Feb. 8 (by Wireless to London).—The war department this afternoon gave out this statement:

"The fighting for our positions south of the canal and southwest of LaBassee continues. Part of the short trench taken by the enemy has been recaptured.

"In the Argonne we wrested from our opponents a portion of their fortified positions; otherwise there has been no change of importance in this region.

"On the East Prussian frontier Southeast of the plain of the lakes and in Poland on the right bank of the Vistula, there have been a few unimportant and for us successful engagements. Otherwise there is nothing to report from the east."

FARRELL SAYS THE TIDE HAS TURNED

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"Money is plentiful and low rates obtain. Cotton has recovered in price from 6 1-4 cents in October to fully 8 1-2 cents per pound today. Shipments to date exceed four million bales, or two-thirds of the corresponding total of a year ago.

"The United States is today the chief grainery of Europe. The prices received should insure for our farming population an unprecedented measure of prosperity and it has come to be an American axiom that when our farmers are prosperous the whole country prospers."

SPORTS

NAT. LEAGUERS MEET TO ADOPT SCHEDULE

Several Important Matters to be Considered.

Will Probably Rescind Order Reducing Number of Players—Several Important Deals Rumored On Tap.

New York, Feb. 8.—National League baseball club owners who meet here tomorrow to adopt a playing schedule probably will rescind their recent order reducing the player limit to 21 men. The American League schedule meeting last week did not reduce the maximum of 25 and it is expected the Nationals will change bac kto the same number of players.

Another matter which may be discussed tomorrow is the advisability of making it mandatory on clubs not to send players to spring training quarters before March 1.

There were rumors today of several deals being arranged, but none of them could be traced to an authoritative source.

Manager Donovan of the local American League club announced today that Joe Kelley, the club's scout, together with Catchers Sweeney and Nunemaker and Pitchers Fisher, Caldwell, Warhop, Cole and Keating would reach Hot Springs, Ark., next Monday.

From there they will go to join the rest of the players at Savannah, Ga., for regular training on March 10.

GERMAN MEASURES NOT A BLOCKADE

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and both Great Britain and Germany on these questions.

The American government, being neutral, cannot discuss rules which the belligerents may adopt toward each other. The prescription of the war zone itself, however, or the use of a neutral flag by belligerent owned vessels, as a stratagem of war, has not given the American officials concern so much as the prospect that these acts may endanger the lives of American citizens, whose right to travel on the high seas on neutral ships during time of war, it is understood, will be vigorously defended.

The situation will be discussed tomorrow at a cabinet meeting.

Formal inquiries as to what step the German naval commanders will take to protect neutrals traveling on merchant ships and requests for information as to the use of American flags by British ships generally, it is understood, will follow.

Many neutral diplomats were at the State Department today and while none proposed joint action with the American government, they sought information for the guidance of their own foreign offices. Chairman Flood and Representative Cline, of the House foreign affairs committee, also discussed the subject with Mr. Bryan, but declined to talk of their visit afterwards.

Closest Shave Yet.

It was apparent on all sides here that the German proclamation and the Lusitania incident touched more closely perhaps the position of neutrals than any other occurrence of the war. In some quarters England's attitude toward certain articles of the Declaration of London were received with interest. Great Britain early in the war announced she would abide by this provision in the Declaration:

"The transfer of an enemy vessel to a neutral flag, effected after the outbreak of hostilities, is void unless it is proved that such transfer was not made in order to evade the consequences to which an enemy vessel, as such is exposed.

"There, however, is an absolute presumption that a transfer is void if the transfer has been made during a voyage or in port."

Some officials suggested as provision might be construed to apply to the case of the Lusitania.

Speech in the House.

The Lusitania incident evoked a speech today in the House by Representative Martin, of South Dakota, who announced that he favored legislation at this session to prohibit the use of the American colors on any but American vessels and to make it an offense for the master of any foreign vessel, whether belligerent or not to fly the American flag over a ship. He said the penalty should be confiscation of the vessel and a fine for the commander if the ship returned to American jurisdiction.

The State Department issued a denial of reports that Ambassador Page had telegraphed that the British government, after having secured the owner of the cargo of the Wilhelmina, would seize all cargoes of foodstuffs destined to Germany without making compensation therefor.

The general understanding in executive quarters, however, is that the British government still intends to seize all food cargoes destined to Germany, though whether there will be compensation is not known.

To Have Complexion That Men Admire

"A man may admit, with great sophistication, that powder and rouge are necessary aids to beauty," writes the Countess of Wenick, "yet deep in his heart he dreams of the woman whose loveliness needs no artificial touching up. Women who appreciate this, who give consideration to the masculine viewpoint, avoid using anything that might indicate their beauty is not all their own.

"Such women in increasing number are acquiring the mercolized wax habit. By applying the wax at night as they would cold cream, washing it off in the morning, they secure, and maintain, entirely natural complexions. Their faces exhibit no evidence of having been 'beautified.' Nothing is added to the old complexion—the latter, instead, is discarded. Mercolized wax, procurable at any drug store (an ounce is sufficient), absorbs the devitalized outer skin, gradually, almost imperceptibly. The fresh, clear, satiny under skin which appears bears a healthy, youthful bloom not comparable with the fixed artificial color."

KANSAS CITY DROPPED FROM FEDERAL LEAGUE

Unable to Raise Enough Funds it is Reported.

Directors of Club Meet But Take No Action as to Sale of Franchise. Place May be Given to Newark.

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 8.—J. A. Gilmore, president of the Federal League, confirmed the report that Kansas City would not be represented in the league this year, in a telegram received here today. President Gilmore's telegram said the change was to be made "on account of inability of Kansas City people to raise sufficient funds to properly finance the Federal League."

Directors of the club met here late today but took no action regarding the announced sale of the franchise. They announced afterwards, however, that subscriptions to a fund being raised to retain the franchise would not be discontinued.

What stand the owners will take rests largely on D. J. Haff, a director now in New York. It was asserted he would confer with Patrick T. Powers, who has purchased the Kansas City franchise, and with Gilmore before advising the local organization.

Directors and stockholders when asked concerning a rumor that a determined effort to retain the club in Kansas City would be made, asserted that the decision to continue the taking of subscriptions could be taken for "what it is worth."

Probably Go to Newark.

Chicago, Feb. 8.—Newark probably will be given Kansas City's place in the Federal League, it was said here after the return of President Gilmore from the East today. Gilmore declined to say definitely whether the team would be placed in New York or Newark, but declared he already had made all arrangements for the transfer.

No other changes in the circuit will be made this year.

VILLA'S ANNOUNCEMENT OFFICIALLY CONFIRMEE

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Carranza saying there was no truth in reports of friction between the diplomatic corps and the first chief. Eliseo Arredondo, head of the agency gave out the following telegram from Laredo:

"Reported here Monterey has been taken by the Constitutionalist forces. No details of the fighting. The fall of Monterey has been expected for several days and the fact that telegraphic communication between El Paso and Monterey has been suspended tends to confirms the report that Monterey has been captured."

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The members of Live Oak Camp, No. 6, Woodmen of the World, had their annual oyster roast at Wrightsville Sound last evening. Two special cars were chartered to take the members down and the total number enjoying the feast of luscious bivalves, cooked in the latest and most approved style, was 126. The affair was entirely informal and there were no speeches.

Phoenix, Ariz., Feb. 8.—A substitute anti-alien labor bill, less drastic than the measure declared unconstitutional by a special Federal court at San Francisco recently, was passed by the House of the Arizona legislature today. The bill provides among other things that all persons engaged in hazardous occupations must be able to read and write English.

HELPLESS AS BACY

Down in Mind Unable to Work, and What Helped Her.

Summit Point, W. Va.—Mrs. Anna Belle Emey, of this place, says: "I suffered for 15 years with an awful pain in my right side, caused from womanly trouble, and doctored lots for it, but without success. I suffered so very much, that I became down in mind, and as helpless as a baby. I was in the worst kind of shape. Was unable to do any work.

I began taking Cardui, the womar's tonic, and got relief from the very first dose. By the time I had taken 12 bottles, my health was completely restored. I am now 48 years years old, but feel as good as I did when only 16.

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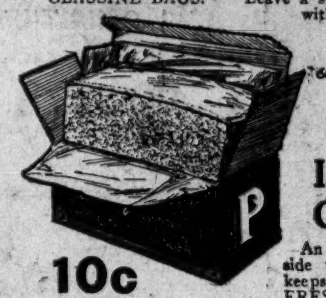

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BICKETT HAS THROWN HIS HAT IN THE RING

Attorney General an Avowed Candidate for Governor

First to Declare Himself a Candidate, Though Others, Including Daughtridge, McLean and Carr Are Mentioned.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 8.—Speaking of his definite statement given out in Washington Saturday that he will be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor in the 1916 campaign. Attorney General T. W. Bickett, said that he knows of no other avowed candidate, but that he is in the race in earnest and will make the contest against all comers. He says he knows that Judge W. R. Allen, of the Supreme court, will not be a candidate for Governor, but he knows nothing of the probability of any of the others who have been mentioned undertaking the race against him, these, of course, including E. L. Daughtridge, lieutenant governor; A. W. McLean and Gen. J. S. Carr.

Attorney General Bickett returned this morning from Washington, where he and Attorney General Thompson, of Tennessee, completed the matter of the appointment of the commission to finally run the line between the states of Tennessee and North Carolina in accordance with the recent decree of the United States Supreme court in which North Carolina won a considerable stretch of territory that Tennessee had been claiming.

W. D. Hale, civil engineer of Tennessee, and D. B. Barnes, civil engineer for North Carolina in the litigation just terminated, are two ex-officio members of the commission and the third is Dr. Joseph Hyde Pratt, State Geologist for North Carolina, who Mr. Bickett succeeded in having named as the third man for the commission. Two principal stretches of territory are two angular stretches of the mountain region, one starting at a point and extending nine miles and attaining a width of five miles and the other a stretch of nine miles and something of semi-circular shape with a maximum width of nine miles.

TO RESTORE CONNECTION

Norfolk Southern to Connect With A. C. L. No. 48 at Goldsboro.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Rocky Mount, N. C., Feb. 8.—Positive assurance that settled a point of much agitation and comment from towns and cities along the Moorhead City-Goldsboro branch of the Norfolk Southern, was settled by the announcement from the office of the superintendent of transportation of the Atlantic Coast Line that, after February 15, the noonday connection of these two companies at Goldsboro would be restored.

The agreement just reached is the consummation of some little work by officials to get the roads together, and a wave of protest from the people served by this important branch of the Norfolk Southern. The new schedule includes the arrival of the Norfolk Southern at Goldsboro at 11:10 a. m., and the departure of A. C. L. train No. 48 for Rocky ount and the North at 11:15. While this is only a five minutes' margin it is understood that the usual ruling in the matter of belated trains will prevail and the time required and number of passengers served will enter materially into the making of the connection in such an instance. The ending of this agitation is welcomed both by the public and the railroad circles.

TRAVEL TO FLORIDA THIS SEASON UNUSUALLY HEAVY.

A. C. L. Adds a Car to Its New York-Florida Special Train.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Rocky Mount, N. C., Feb. 8.—Owing to the heavy passenger traffic to Florida on the Atlantic Coast Line New York-to-Florida special train, No. 87, an additional compartment car has been added to the make-up to accommodate the passengers. This is unusual as the train has been running for years with nine cars. However, the increased travel to Florida by this train made it necessary that another compartment car be included. The train, and its mate northward, No. 88, which make their regular stops in Florence afford travelers to and from this point to North and South the best accommodations to be had in the whole South.

SUPT. NEWELL IN KINSTON.

Asks Aldermen to Withdraw Requirement for Street Crossing Gate.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Kinston, N. C., Feb. 8.—The presence of W. H. Newell, superintendent of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad, in this city was honored by a special meeting of City Council. He asked that the city withdraw an order, at least for a time, requiring the railroad company to install a gate at the East Caswell street crossing. He told the aldermen and mayor that it would cost $1,000 to erect and maintain the gate for a short time. Council declined to take immediate action upon Mr. Newell's request. It was taken under advisement until the next regular meeting, on March 1, when it will come up with the unfinished business. The chances are that the original order will be enforced. The East Caswell street gate is one of three recently ordered by the city to be placed at principal crossings. The Norfolk Southern was informed that traffic must be protected at the Heritage and Queen street crossings.

GATLING NOMINATED BY WILSON FOR POSTMASTER

Ends Long Contest Over Raleigh Postoffice—Mrs. Aycock Loses.

Washington, Feb. 8.—Bartholomew M. Gatling was selected today by President Wilson for postmaster at Raleigh, N. C.

The President's decision ends an appointment contest which aroused much interest in the South. Strong efforts were made to secure the position for Mrs. Charles B. Aycock, widow of former Governor Aycock.

Richmond, Va., Feb. 8.—The will of Alexander Cameron, tobacco manufacturer, filed for probate here today, disposes of an estate appraised at $1,100,000. The property is to be divided among his eight children, the four daughters to receive each 2 1-2 per cent. more than the four sons. Colonel Cameron left the home and $5,000 a year to his wife.

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THEATRICAL

Raymond Hitchcock is soon to be here. In his latest success Mr. Hitchcock will portray the rule of Doctor Budd, an impecunious beauty specialist, operating an elaborate complexion emporium on Fifth Avenue, New York, when not otherwise engaged in standing off an arrogant army of insistent creditors.

If one will but imagine Raymond Hitchcock in "The Beauty Shop", the title that Cohan and Harris, his managers, have chosen for the new vehicle, little remains to be said. The droll artistry of this unique comedian will be made manifest in a particularly fitting environment. Just imagine "Hitchie" in a beauty shop, and you will need no urging to attend the festivities. So many beauty secrets will be divulged that the ladies will probably find "The Beauty Shop" equally as enjoyable as the gentlemen undoubtedly will consider it to be. The company comes here direct from several months of crowded houses at the Astor Theatre, New York; 100 nights in Chicago, and two months at the Tremont Theatre, Boston, where the play scored "the supreme success of the season" to quote the generally accepted verdict of the dramatic reviewers.

The Prince of Tonight.

A vast amount of money was spent in producing "The Prince of Tonight", coming to the Academy, matinee and night, Saturday, February 13th, there are three acts and four scenes in this gorgeous extravaganza. The first scene is that of the famous hotel "The Breakers," at Palm Beach, Fla., presenting the pleasant surroundings of that famous resort where every one has money. The second scene of the same act is the transformation picturing the mythical land of Lunitania, showing bewildering effects. The second act takes the auditor back to Palm Beach showing an elaborate house boat during an evening at the Water Fete, while the third and last act is the banquet on the lawn before the "Breakers." It is in this act that the electrical effects are the most brilliant of anything ever attempted on a road tour. The entire production will be produced in this city exactly as presented during its long stay in Chicago. Special children's matinee at 3 o'clock. Each child will be admitted to reserved seat for 25 cents.

At the Victoria.

It was not alone a merry, but really a glorious reopening the handsome Victoria Theatre had yesterday. Under new management the Victoria made its debut as a musical comedy house, and met with glorious success right on the start. The afternoon audience and those of last night were large and the show went big, to use a trite expression. The Gardner-Lawson Musical Comedy Company held the boards and received an ovation from the large audiences. Everything had been so well arranged for the reopening by Manager E. H. Little that there was not a hitch of any kind and probably the smoothest and best performance ever given was staged. The company was seen in the bright musical concoction, "The Peppery Mr. Pepper," and the performance was immensely enjoyed by every one. Not only were the principals clever, but the Blue Ribbon Chorus, of which the company brags, was splendid in every way. The different musical numbers—and there are many—were encored repeatedly. Each feature was most attractively presented. George B. Gardner was the bright particular star. His work had a pleasing lustre at all times, and he was pronounced one of the cleverest comedians ever on the Victoria stage.

To say that the attraction made a big hit would be but expressing it mildly. Indications are that it will enjoy big patronage for the rest of the week. The usual matinee performance will be given this afternoon, followed by the usual two performances tonight. Tomorrow the play will be changed in its entirety.

Six Mammoth Reels—Bijou.

The way of a gambler is hard. Whether a petty crap-shooter in a remote areaway—a-watching for the neighborhood cop—or a "player" in full dress in palatial "rooms of chance," his life is usually a calamity. The latter type of gambler has been chosen in the great two-reel Rex production "The Temptation of Edwin Swayne," a powerful Universal feature heading today's bill at the Bijou, which should be the means of saving many persons from the gambling curse, holding up, as it does, the gambler to the scorn of the entire world. Featured in this great dramatic feature are George Larkin, of "The Trey O' Hearts" company, Helen Leslie, as leading woman, and Frank Lloyd, a leading emotional dramatic star of the Rex-Universal company, as the gambler. It is a powerful story told in a powerful and thrilling manner.

But this is only the beginning of today's mammoth six-reel bill at Wilmington's most popular joy spot. "Another Chance" is a mammoth Mutual drama, involving a clever exchange of benefits between a newsboy and a counterfeiter, and features those great stars, Mary Aiden, Wallace Reid and Donald Crisp.

"The Strength O' Ten" is the third big drama, a Mutual, featuring pretty Vivian Rich, William Garwood and Jack Richardson. It is a big and brand new story.

"Our Mutual Girl" comes next with the 47th chapter of her thrilling adventures, in a full reel.

Then comes another star feature—Billie Ritchie in "The Death of Simon LeGree", a mammoth full reel of Billie at his very best. Truly today's programme is destined to make history again for the popular Bijou, "Wilmington's Cozy Corner."

Edith Storey at New Grand Today.

Five great reels of movies are offered today by Wilmington's peerless theatre, the handsome New Grand. Heading the swell galaxy of films will be popular Edith Storey in a superb special two-reel release, "In the Latin Quarter." It is something exceptionally clever and will thrill from start to finish. Miss Storey appears as "Marie", while Antonio Moreno will be seen as "Jean Duval" and S. Rankin Drew as "Andrew Lenique." It is a big success and devotees of Miss Storey should not fail to behold her in this great screen sensation. It is a dramatic story of fire and one that will grip interest from the very start. Besides this there is another mammoth dramatic success on today in the latest Biograph, "From the Shadow," a graphic story of life, showing the sacrifice a young broker makes to save his old partner from disgrace and to shield the girl he loves.

Then there will be two big fun pictures, and as folks like to laugh this duo will prove exceedingly popular. One will be "A High Old Time," telling of the adventures that Miranda and Josh encounter when they go to the city on their honeymoon. The other rib-tickler is "The Gallantry of Jimmie Rogers," and it is a corker for smiles. So don't miss today's great show at your favorite amusement resort and remember the price of admissionsion is always but 5 cents.

London, Feb. 8.—Premier Asquith, speaking in the House of Commons today, said that British casualties in all ranks in the Western arena of the war, from the beginning of the war to February 4, amounted to approximately 104,000 men. This includes killed, wounded and missing.

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MARQUIS OF LONDONDERRY SUCCUMBS TO PNEUMONIA

Was One of the Foremost Leaders of the Ulster Movement.

London, Feb. 8.—The Marquis of Londonderry died today of pneumonia.

The Marquis of Londonderry was one of the foremost leaders of the Ulster movement, one of the foremost members of the British bar and one of the great noblemen of the United Kingdom. He was a Knight of the Garter and an aide de camp to the king. He traced his descent from Sir Piers Tempest, who fought at Agincourt.

Born in Ulster 62 years ago, he was a graduate of Trinity. He represented Dublin in parliament. In 1892 he was made solicitor general for Ireland. From 1900 to 1906 he was solicitor general of England. He was viceroy of Ireland from 186 to 1889. We was married in 1875 to a daughter of the Earl of Shrewsbury. They had two children, a son and a daughter. The son, Viscount Castlereagh, is his heir.

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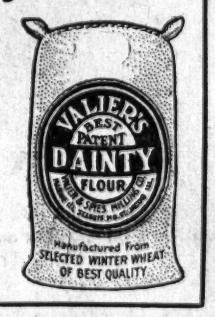

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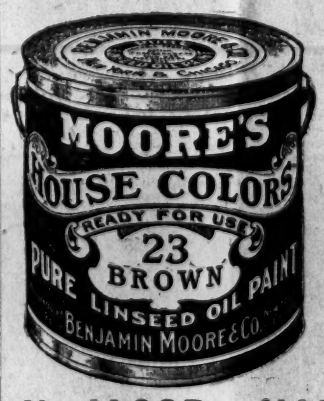

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By virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed executed by Wilmington Door and Lumber Company to C. N. Evans, President, Trustee, dated Marth 18th, 1912, and recorded in Book 68, page 107, in the office of the Register of Deeds of New Hanover County, default having been made in the payment of the debt thereby secured, the undersigned will, on Monday, the 15th day of February, 1915, at 12 o'clock M., at the court house door, in New Hanover county, expose to sale for cash, at public auction, to the highest bidder, the following described tracts or parcels of land:

First Tract.

Beginning at a point in the western line of Front street 132 feet North of the northern line of Ann street, and running thence northwardly along said western line of Front street 66 feet; thence westwardly and parallel with Ann street to the channel or deep water said channel or deep water of the Cape Fear River southwardly and parallel with Front street 66 feet to the northern line of Lot No. 5, in Block 125, of said city; thence eastwardly and parallel with Ann street to the western line of Front street, the point of beginning. The same being that tract or parcel of land conveyed by one A. M. Prince to Brunswick Wood and Coal Company by deed bearing date January the 7th, 1911, and duly recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for New Hanover County, and conveyed by Brunswick Wood and Coal Company to Wilmington Door and Lumber Company, as will appear by reference to the Public Records of New Hanover County.

Second Tract.

Beginning at a point in the northern line of Meares street 183 feet East of the eastern line of Fourth street, and running thence along said line of Meares street 33 feet in an easterly direction; thence North and parallel with Fifth street 87 feet to the old Coalfield (Francis Morris) line; thence along said line in a westwardly direction 33 feet; thence southwardly and parallel with Fifth street 87 feet to the northern line of Meares street, the point of beginning. The same being part of Lots 5 and 6, in Block 20, according to the official plan of the City of Wilmington.

Third Tract.

All that certain piece, parcel or tract of land situate, lying and being in Cape Fear Township, on the East side, in the County of New Hanover and State of North Carolina, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a cypress, on the West side of Cat Fish Creek, a small distance above an old field; thence with the lower line or a tract formerly owned by Samuel Ashe, west 220 poles to a cypress on said Cat Fish Creek, near its head; thence same course 103 poles to the North West River; thence down the River so as to measure in a due South line 95 poles; thence from said River due East 336 poles to Cat Fish Creek; thence up said Creek 35 poles; thence due East 75 poles to a Stake on the Sand Hill; thence North 12 degrees West 62 poles; thence West 80 poles to Cat Fish Creek, opposite the Fish Station, containing by estimation 222¼ acres, of which twenty-five acres is high land.

One tract situate in said County of New Hanover, on the South side of Cat Fish Creek, in the upper part of the bend, beginning at a cypress on the Creek between the line of the land which formerly belonged to Samuel Ashe and Thos. C. Reston; thence with their line East 84 poles to the corner of said Ashe's line, or rather his old center ditch; thence with said Center Ditch North 3 poles; thence East 30 poles to the corner by the side of the Creek; thence West to the Creek, and thence up the Creek to the beginning, containing 9½ acres.

One tract situate in said County of New Hanover, on said North West River, and Cat Fish Creek, beginning on the River, on the lower corner of the tract on said Creek first above described, thence East 60 poles; thence South 129 poles to the River; thence up the River to the beginning, containing 60 acres of Tide Swamp.

Also eight acres of Sand Hill situate in said County of New Hanover, on Cat Fish Creek, beginning on the Creek at what was formerly known as the Reston lower corner; thence down the creek 20 poles; thence East and back adjoining the western line for its compliment. The last mentioned four tracts of land, described under "Third Tract" herein, being the same lands conveyed by E. P. H. Strunck and wife to Brunswick Wood & Coal Company by deed bearing date June 12, 1909, and duly recorded in the office of Register of Deeds for New Hanover County, in Book 58, page 458, et seq., and reference is hereby made to said deed for the description therein contained, and the same being conveyed by the Brunswick Wood & Coal Company to the Wilmington Door & Lumber Company, by proper deed of conveyance, as the Public Records of New Hanover County will show.

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By Atlantic Trust and Banking Company, Assignee.

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"Ignorance is bliss" till somebody comes along and persuades us to believe like they do.

Some men can't take a joke but they can take you for a fool for trying to get funny with them.

A girl wearing one of those "submarine hats" is liable to blow up her fellow for cruising around at some distance from his base.

Anyhow, no war zone is any fit place for people with horse sense enough to refrain from skating on thin ice or monkeying around the crater of an active volcano.

We are told to "take things as you find them." Nevertheless, it goes hard with us to take things when we find them as flat as a punctured tire. Anyhow, cheer up.

The Czar of Russia has decorated a brave, beautiful girl who was wounded twice in sticking to her duty on the firing line. Evidently that girl is in high feather.

In making new counties, the Legislature shouldn't make any that have to depend on the tax of self-supporting and State-supporting counties to sustain part of their burden.

A man is liable to hand around cigars if he is called "old scout," but if there were any probability of his being sent to the front as a real scout he would take to the woods.

A jitney is the Western language for five cents. A jitney bus is an automobile vehicle which hauls passengers for five cents. A kiss for five cents is a different kind of jitney buss.

So long as the Americans are not given to analyzing economic conditions as they affect prosperity, they will continue to believe politics cut more ice than the law of supply and demand.

Says the Columbia State: "Spain is said to be pro-German because Uncle Sam is pro-Ally. That nation is certainly one more good hater." Nothing like war to perpetuate hatred. Hatred between the people of nations has been known to keep pace with centuries of traditions.

It turns out in New York that a few hundred men wanted work and got it with the street cleaning department. Others wanted employment instead of work, and so the street department had to advertise for men. The unemployed seem to constitute more of those who don't seem to want to work.

New York, Liverpool and Bremen dispatches tell us daily why prices go up or down, but a politician can come along and make the crowd believe that the factors are political and not economic. The average man does not care two pence about cause and effect, and that is what the leather-lunged loud-voiced political jayhawker banks upon.

The war in Europe has been going on six months but this country has not yet waded in and gobbled up Europe's trade in South America and the Orient. As a matter of fact, the best trade we have is not that which we go after but which Europe sends to us as a matter of her own necessity. How much American trade has been secured by our boasted initiative?

Our friend Bill Blower says he was persuaded to buy diamonds as an investment but he bedrat if they are even an asset when he can't hock them for half the money he paid for them. He believed once that he could borrow more money than he paid for the "genuine stones" but he is now satisfied that he can get more by loaning his money than by soaking gem property.

It has been figured that the recent all-night speeches in Congress cost the country $500,000 in actual expenses. Since all that talk is intended to prevent any action towards taking care of this country's commerce, it is not estimated what the country is liable to lose by the talk that prevents Congress from doing something to provide for a merchant marine of some description.

GIVE US THAT STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION.

The marketing problem for the farmer of North Carolina is one of the things that would be greatly minimized by a State highway commission, such as is contemplated in the bill now being considered by the General Assembly. More economical rural transportation would be a vital aid to the agriculture of the State and it is one of the constructive achievements that the farmer needs the most just at present. Of course, the State Highway Commission bill should pass and every farmer should get behind it.

There are hundreds of good reasons why that bill should pass, the chief one being that it means a systematic, Statewide rural transportation movement. It is carefully estimated that at the present time it is costing the farmers of North Carolina approximately $8,000,000 more to haul their products to market than it would if they were able to travel over good roads. A State highway department would eventually save this amount to the farmers, inasmuch as through its work it would cause all moneys appropriated for road work to be spent in such a way as to build good roads in localities appropriating it.

The Star fully agrees with those who contend that it is only through a State highway commission that the State and counties can obtain a proper system of highways, that will connect county with county, and open up all sections of a county with town and market, and all sections of the State with other sections of the State.

GERMANY'S BLOCKADE NOTICE

It is curious how many views are taken in this country concerning Germany's notice that she has declared the English channel and the Irish sea a war zone and consequently takes the occasion to warn neutral shipping of that fact. Resentment is expressed in many of this country's leading newspapers and they have urged the government to protest against Germany's action. For instance, here comes advice like this in a leading editorial in the New York World:

"It is the duty of the United States government to issue a formal protest against the German "war zone" proclamation. Although it is highly improbable that any neutral ship will be attacked by a German submarine in this "war zone" that the German government undertakes to draw around the British Isles, the theory upon which the German government acts is so fantastic that the United States cannot afford to recognize it even to the extent of ignoring such a negation of international law. International law provides for blockades of ports and coasts, and the rules governing them are clear and specific. One of these rules is that the blockade "must be maintained by a force really sufficient to prevent access to the enemy coast line." A casual submarine does not in law constitute a blockading force for Great Britain and Ireland and the coast of France, and cannot be regarded as such by any neutral government.

"International law knows nothing of naval "war zones," and they cannot be created by the fiat of a belligerent. Unless the coast of the British Isles and of Northern and Western France is effectively blockaded by German fleets, the rights of neutral ships with non-contraband cargoes in those waters do not differ from the rights of neutral ships with non-contraband cargoes four miles off Sandy Hook. Nor has a submarine any peculiar privileges as a commerce destroyer. It is a ship of war, neither more nor less. No belligerent has the authority to warn neutral ships or cargoes away from a paper-made war zone, or to decree that they may enter such a zone only at the risk of destruction. As a war measure the German proclamation need not be taken seriously, but the United States should insist on keeping the record straight. We have no notion that American ships or cargoes will be sunk by German submarines operating near the British coast. We have no notion either that the lives of American citizens traveling on British or neutral passenger steamers will be endangered by German submarine attacks. If anything of that kind happened it would have a most serious effect upon American public opinion, and that is all the more reason why the State Department should repudiate at once the international lawlessness of the German proclamation. If Washington keeps silence, Germany will have the right to assume that the Untied States acquiesces in "war zone" methods of naval warfare, and it would be unfair to Germany to permit her to be deceived."

Contrary to The World's view and advice, the Washington government has recognized Germany's right to fight where she pleases, as this government did as to Great Britain when she sent us a similar notice about her operations in the North sea. It was a friendly act on the part of both governments to warn neutral shipping of the danger of war operations, mines and even naval battles in certain zones. None of the belligerents propose to endanger American shipping if they can help it, but that navigation under such circumstances is hazardous all will admit.

Of course, it is not necesary for us to protest or even to heed the warning, but after a belligerent serves notice upon us of the danger, we navigate those zones at our own risk. Not to give us notice would be a case of international criminality. As it is, we accept service of notice and it is up to us to navigate the zones and take what is coming to us like other innocent bystanders while the nations are making war on each other and each other's commerce.

Germany may not intend seriously to blockade the English ports, but evidently there will be something doing in those waters, as, indeed, it already appears there has been considerable submarine activity during the past fortnight. It won't do for us to take it for granted that there is no danger but, having warned us of possible danger, if anything should happen to American ships or passangers or cargoes on account of hostilities on the part of any belligerent, it absolves them from responsibility, unless they commit a deliberate act of hostility themselves. If there is any danger of that we should be cautious enough not to give them the chance. There are dangerous possibilities in the case, and that is why warning came to us from the British government about the North Sea zone and now from Germany about the zone, where she proposes to get busy.

There are all kinds of international precedents for carrying on blockades and we have furnished some of them ourselves. We furnished one nearly a year ago when we blockaded Vera Cruz. We stopped all foreign shipping, including that of Germany itself, as will be remembered by people who do not forget what they read.

The World seems disposed to regard Germany's action as a "paper-made war zone," but that is a mere presumption. It might be or it might not be. If we want to take chances on that it is up to us, but that danger lurks in the ocean lanes into British ports, the hoisting of the American colors on the British steamship Lusitania shows that the British captain of that ship regarded the trip across the Irish sea as dangerous.

Great Britain has been interfering with neutral shiping as it had a right to do, and frequently, it is possible, some arbitrary action was taken. Germany has an equal right in that respect, and mere protests will not mend matters for us. Even Russia held up one of our food cargoes bound for the relief of the Servians, their allies, and necessarily it is at our risk that we send our ships into any of the war zones where there are blockades or hostilities.

The government at Washington seems to know the rules of international warfare pretty well and it is saving itself from some of its friends when it does not take all the advice that is showered upon it.

THE TARIFF ISSUE IN 1916.

The New York Sun's Wilmington correspondent writes that the sentiment prevails there that the best 1916 issue for the Republicans would be the tariff, and it is even advised that the best thing the Republicans could do would be to make the tariff the sole issue in next year's Presidential campaign.

It is boldly urged that the Republicans should proclaim and keep on proclaiming from the housetops that their candidate for the Presidency, if elected, will immediately call Congress together in extra session for the purpose of reenacting the Payne-Aldrich tariff law, without avoidable delay or the change of a punctuation mark, leaving for the future all decreases or increases in its rates, additions to or removals from its free list, and hearings and deliberations in connection therewith."

Well, it seems that is about all the issue the Republicans will have anyhow. That is about all they talk about as a general thing, and yet the Democrats will be glad to join issues with them on that subject. However, the Democrats have to their credit some constructive work that the country will be grateful for. One of them is that they did away with the Republican banking law and gave the country one which even the financiers of Europe are giving credit for the present financial stability in this country. London financiers say it has facilitated international exchange.

The Democrats will have other legislation to go before the country on for approval, and since the country tried the Payne-Aldrich law for four years and repudiated it, the Republicans are welcome to pick up such a dead issue and tie themselves to a corpse. All the Democrats have to do is to assure the country that it will correct the inequalities in the Democratic tariff, for the Democratic party would be as bull-headed as the Republican party if it did not revise the tariff when it possibly might occur that it needs revision.

MUNICIPAL COLD STORAGE PLANTS

The Savannah Morning News states that if the voters of the little city of Dublin are of the same opinion as the members of the city council, the farmers of Laurens county will have the benefit of a municipally owned cold storage. Cold storages are actual necessities in considerable commercial centers and the fact that Dublin wants one seems sufficient to induce private capital to see an opportunity in one located in that city.

Cold storages offer good investments where perishable merchandise or products are handled in large quantities, but each community has to decide for itself whether there is enough business there for custom business in a cold storage. It is presumed that the Dublin council would simply do a storage business for customers, and if there is enough business of that kind in the town and county it ought to have one, if the town has to go into the business itself. The Dublin council will submit the question to a vote of the people, and as to the enterprise our Savannah contemporary says:

"It is a little out of the ordinary for a city to go into the cold storage business but there is no reason to criticise it for doing so when it realizes that its neighbor farmers and its own people, of course, would be greatly benefited by a storage plant and are not likely to get it in any other way. Dublin Council has decided to submit to the voters the question of a bond issue for public improvements, among which is a storage plant which it hopes will give an impetus to the meat-raising industry of Laurens county. If it is built and has that effect the county as a whole will profit, and certainly if the immediate outlying trade territory of Dublin prospers the city will prosper, too. There need be little doubt that the plant would be a good investment. It would not cost very much in the first place and if it should be run carefully, economically and with strict regard for sanitation the meat consumers of Dublin would know that their meat supply was all that it should be and there would be created for the meat raisers of the county a market for a great deal of their product, a market that now is supplied in some degree by meat shipped in from a considerable distance. Of course a great deal of meat is peddled through the city by farmers, but as they have adopted a resolution asking the city to build the plant it is evident they are not satisfied with present conditions. It seems certain that if Dublin goes into the cold storage business it will be taking a very progressive step. It has been frequently predicted that as the meat raising industry in Georgia grows the facilities for properly caring for the meat will increase, too, and the action of Dublin Council is an indication of the truth of the prediction."

It seems that there is a demand in Dublin for a cold storage, so it ought to be an attractive proposition for local capital. The city might do custom storage, but as the commercial cold storage is run today its complete success depends on handling cold storage products as a jobbing business in addition to the custom patronage it may get. However, if capital is not going to see the modern opportunities as they become apparent by reason of public demand, the cities will see them first and be doing all kinds of business some of these days.

Emile Witte, a German writer, says "Americans are incredibly simple and swallow any bait." He also declares that American "public opinion is led by the nose." There must be some truth in that, since it confirms what English, French and Spanish writers have said about us. In fact, Barnum, the old showman, beat them all to it when he knowingly declared that the American people love to be humbugged. Even now there is a powerful Republican and special interest propaganda that is making good headway in humbugging the American voters into believing that the depression largely brought on by the war in Europe is the result of the Democratic tariff.

Humorist Wilder has picked up a fortune of $267,000 by tickling the American people. Of course, it is funny that people are willing to finance their sense of humor, but isn't it equally true that people will come across with a high price for having their emotions worked on? Ask Billy Sunday. Billy raked the Pittsburghers over the coals and they manifested their approval of it by paying Billy more than $40,000 during a short engagement there. Well, what of it, old top? Well, it shows that they work both sides of the street and get us—one, by provoking us to laughter, the other by persuading us that we want to be angels.

Says the Washington Post: "It takes a man who has just blown $3.45 over the bar to voice in suitable terms his righteous indignation at the prospect of 6 cent bread." Also to chew the rag for an hour to try to prove that the increased cost of bread and the low price of cotton is due to the Democratic tariff instead of to the war which increased the demand for wheat and put a crimp in the demand for cotton.

Arkansas has gone dry, but that is not the reason why a Wilmington man left Arkansas and came right on home. After taking in the principal cities of several Southern states he lit out for Wilmington, th echoicest place on the map of the "Nation's Garden Spot." He says a man who knocks Wilmington ought to be sentenced to exile in some other city where he can get what is coming to him.

Some men go back on their friends if they can go ahead themselves by doing it.

EMPLOYMENT OF WOMEN.

To the Editor of The Star:

Ever since the beginning of the great European struggle America has felt the effects to a great extent. Every branch of industry in this country has had reverses. This has necessitated a curtailment of their employes which has been far from beneficial to us. Everywhere the hue and cry has gone up for work, work. This cry has been answered by the efforts of many to help these idle men, but their efforts for the most part have been confined to the "men" alone. There is the mistake. Recently a notice was published, offering to give one hundred men employment. What about the self-sustaining women? Has any one given them a thought. Their need of employment certainly equal that of the man. Upon close observation in some cases it can be easily seen that it exceeds it. Statistics this year tell us that alms houses for men show a decrease in the number of inmates to a corresponding increase to those for women. Why is this the case? Simply because the provisions made for the employment of men have exceeded those made for women. Possibly there is room for discussion as to whether or not a man with a family needs work more than a woman. Suppose the woman also has a family. In this case why are their needs not equal? Can any one dispute this fact? This conceded, then why are not equal provisions made for the securing of employment for them. Instructors and teachers who work among the young women of our country tell them to "keep clean," "be cheerful, be unafraid of events and the stars in their courses will fight for you." Perhaps to reverse the old adage "there is more poetry in this than truth." There is no double standard for goodness among men and women and by virtue of this fact in this great present existing question they should by all means have their chance.

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CURRENT COMMENT.

The Wilmington Star says: "A big lobby is doing strenuous work in Washington against the Democratic shipping bill." Wonder how The Star knows about the shipping lobby. The man who unearthed the insiduous sugar lobby has said nothing about it.—Jacksonville Times-Union.

We think the ladies who got out that fine equal suffrage section of Wednesday's News and Observer are open to censure for not adding Wade Harris' picture after his strong but non-committak argument. In this connection we wish to ask "Old Man Harris" if he is ready to vote for the proposed amendment? "Young Harker" is ready right now.—Maxton Scottish Chief.

If the number of "jitney buses" continues to increase for the next five years as in the last five weeks the streets of many cities will be alive with them, the police will have far more trouble enforcing the traffic rules and pedestrians will have to develop new sprinting and dodging ability. In Savannah already there is a large number of automobile hacks, although the price of a ride in one of them is five, ten or even more "jitneys," and if it is found to be profitable to operate them at five cents a ride and really compete with the street cars the streets are likely to be full of them. That will bring up a new traffic problem. Gen. Oglethorpe evidently did not foresee the automobile when he laid out the streets, for if he had done so he would have made some of them a great deal wider.—Savannah News.

Mr. T. E. Browne, who has charge of the Boys' Corn Clubs in North Carolina, reports that $30,000 was added to the wealth of the State by these corn clubs. Forty-five hundred boys enrolled in these clubs and only 966 of them made the final report. This was due, no doubt to the extreme drought prevalent over a large part of the State last summer. The boys grew corn, but their yield was such that it was difficult to get them to report. These clubs reporting show an average yield of 58.2 bushels per acre at a cost of 46 1-2 cents per bushel. This is about three times the average yield of the State, and after charging the boys for the land, the manure and fertilizer and for all time used by boy and the team, these boys have a profit of nearly 100 per cent on the corn grown, at present prices for corn.—State Journal, Raleigh.

The bill introduced in the Senate by Senator Snow for the purpose of changing the law now prevailing in North Carolina by which in Wake county the County Board of Education would be elected at the polls is a measure which would discriminate against the people of every township in the county in favor of Raleigh township, and if there was only that one objection to the bill it should be the cause of its defeat. The school affairs of Raleigh township are conducted by a school board elected by the Commissioners of Raleigh. The County Board of Education has nothing to do with the conduct of the schools of Raleigh township. The voting strength in Raleigh township is such that practically half the votes cast in the county are cast in Raleigh. If the County Board of Education were elected by the people then Raleigh township would virtually control and select the men who have charge of the schoolsoutside of Raleigh township. We would thus have the power not alone to manage our own schools but also the schools of the other townships of the county, manifestly a discrimination in favor of Raleigh and unjustifiable in fair treatment. The public schools of the State have made progress under the present plans. Wake county should not ask to be allowed to have a law as to its schools in opposition to the law governing the rest of the State. If Wake county is to elect at the ballot box the County Board of Education, then only the townships under control of that board could in justice be allowed to vote, and Raleigh township should be given the power to elect at the ballot the Raleigh township school board. That would be the logic of the situation. For our part we feel that conditions should remain as at present, that our public schools be kept as far from a matter of politics as possible. The bill to exempt Wake county from the law pertaining to the other counties of the State should be defeated.—Raleigh News and Observer.

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MR. STACY FURNISHED DESIRED INFORMATION

Councilman D. N. Chadwick, Jr, Replied Yesterday

Letter in Reply to One From Representative Stacy Gives Detailed Plan for the Several Proposed Bond Issues.

Councilman D. N. Chadwick, Jr., in charge of the department of accounts and finance, yesterday replied to the open letter from Representative W. P. Stacy, addressed to him and asking for information as to the city finances in order that he might know what position to take on the several proposed bond issues now before the Legislature. Councilman Chadwick's letter, which was forwarded to Mr. Stacy last evening, is as follows:

"Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 8. 1915.

"Hon. W. P. Stacy, Member of House of Representatives, Raliegh, N. C.

"Dear Sir: I acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 6th, and appreciate your desire for information relative to the finances of the City of Wilmington, and your wish to act cautiously in the measures now before the General Assembly, at the same time I regret that you did not give me an opportunity to publish concurrently my reply, with your letter to me If your letter and my reply had been published at the same time no doubt it would have been better, as those persons wishing to study this question would have had full information before them.

"In regard to the validation of the $40,000 Market street improvement notes; you will remember that the city was urged by a large number of its representative business men to complete this work at the earliest possible moment, and the city being without funds entering into a contract with the street paying people whereby they were to deliver, upon completion of the contract, the notes in question, payable four years from date, with interest at the rate of 6 per cent. The Council was urged by representative business men to enter into this contract and give the notes since the city did not have ample funds on hand to take care of this contract, and since money was then exceedingly close, on account of the European war situation. Later on the street paving people were anxious to have the notes issued at once, since they had an opportunity to sell them, and the Council deviated from the original contract to the extent of allowing the notes to be issued at once and sold by the street paving people, and the money to be placed in the bank to be used for this specific purpose, with the distinct understanding that the street paving people would take care of the accrued interest up to the time of the completion of the Market street contract; hence, no interest is paid by the city on these notes, or rather the city will be reimbursed for these notes up until the time the Market street contract will have been competed in full.

"Referring to the $100,000 bond issure: This issue of bonds is to be issued for the specific purpose of retiring the floating indebtedness of the City of Wilmington, which floating indebtedness no doubt is known to you, the bond act itemizing what this is (you will notice that the $40,000 Market street notes are included, or rather will be retired out of this issue). I will also add before closing this paragraph, that the $40,000 notes were contracted to be issued some several months ago, prior to my having decided that it was to the best interests of the city to bond the floating indebtedness, the money rates having been lowered considerably since we entered into the Market street contract, and I now find that it is much more advantageous to issue bonds for the entire floating indebtedness, as there is a ready market for these bonds at the present time at an exceedingly low rate of interest, and I feel that we should, of course, take advantage at the present time of these exceedingly low rates and thereby save the city considerable interest on account of this floating indebtedness, the major portion of which carries a rate of 6 per cent. The major portion of this floating indebtedness matures within a short while and I find that it is much easier to sell bonds of small denominations rather than issure large notes of the city, which notes are in denominations too large for small investors.

"In regard to the borrowing of $100,000 for the building of sidewalks and installation of sewerage: I understand that the city already has the power in default of the work being done by the property owner to law sidewalks and install sewers, the cost constituting a lien on said property. It would, therefore, appear that money advanced in the manner that I have suggested, is really the same, in effect, constituting a similar lien. The plan proposed makes it much easier, however, for the property owner of moderate means to comply with regulations, and at the same time without any additional cost to the city. It is to be remembered that we increase the revenue of the city by water and sewerage connections, and decrease the cost of scavenger, service, which is now operated at a loss, not taking into consideration that we improve vastly the sanitary conditions of the city. If my expectations are realized there will be only approximately 300 surface closets in the city. I think you are incorrect in your thought that there is no provision for the payment of city notes out of the money repaid by property owners. If I understand the bill, it provides that the latest date for the maturity of notes taken by the city from properry owners must be at least two months before the maturity of notes issued by the city, which, of course, gives us a margin for possible delays.

"In regard to the $400,000 anticipated bond issue for refunding bonds maturing in 1917 and 1918: The amount of taxes collected on account of payment of these bonds now in the sinking fund, amounts to approximately $68,000. This can either be used in part settlement of some of the city's indebtedness or can be held for further accretions. We are adding to this amount about $5,000 annually and I might also mention that the major portion of this amount is invested in city bonds, some of which do not mature until 1922—I mention how it is invested as you can see we are retiring some of our future bonds with the sinking fund money.

"In regard to your question of why we should issue bonds to take up bonds: We will answer this by saying, if you haven't the funds to take care of a note when it matures, it is proper to renew. Municipal corporations generally meet their bond issues by renewals or at least a good position of the bonded indebtedness. The expediency of obtaining authority to refund these bonds at the present session of the General Assembly is endorsed by some of our leading local financiers, such bankers as Mr. J. V. Grainger, J. W. Yates, Thomas E. Cooper, F. W. Dick, C. E. Taylor, Jr., and, in fact, every local banker to whom I have mentioned the matter. Under the plan proposed any advanced sale of these bonds is protected by requirement that the proceeds shall be placed on deposit at interest. We are satisfied that the interest can be more than offset while the situation in the money market now would enable us to command a premium. It is believed generally that the close of the European war will create a stringency in finances which will make it difficult to float bonds in this country on advantageous terms.

"As to the constitutional limitations of the City of Wilmington's indebtedness, isn't it true that certain expenses have been decided by the Supreme Court to be 'necessary,' such as water, sewerage, lights ,etc. Your attention is also called to the fact that in estimating the indebtedness of a city relatively to its taxable valuation water and sewerage bonds are always deducted, in our case bringing our indebtedness below the 10 per cent, restriction. You are therefore advised that we appear to be approximately $500,000 within the 10 per cent. limit, rather than being in excess of the limit. I have written you at length in order that I might give you the detailed information desired.

"In the hope that some people, who have false impressions, may get a clear conception of the status of the finances of our city.

"Allow me to impress upon you the fact that I will go into any and all of these matters fully in person, with much pleasure, if you so desire, and will go to Raleigh to see you and give you any further information, immediately upon receipt of the invitation.

"I take this opportunity to express to you my sincere thanks for the privilege o fexplaining this matter in detail.

"Yours very truly,
"D. N. CHADWICK, JR.,
"Councilman."

URGE COMMISSIONERS TO ACT

Special Committee from Chamber of Commerce Will Meet With Board This Afternoon.

Under authorization adopted at a special meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, held last week, a special committee from that body, headed by Mr. W. D. MacMillan, Jr., and accompanied by President M. J. Corbett and the members of the executive committee, will appear before the Board of County Commissioners at their meeting this afternoon to urge that immediate steps be taken looking toward the acquisition of the property of the Brunswick Bridge & Ferry Company, now operating a ferry across the Cape Fear river.

This action is urged by the Chamber of Commerce as the first step toward establishing better connections with the teritrtory to the west, and its final object is the erection of a bridge across the Cape Fear river. The present plan, however, contemplates the purchase of the property of the Bridge and Ferry Company and the operation of the ferry by the county, perhaps, until such time as a bridge can be built. The idea also is that the road between the Cape Fear and Brunswick rivers be improved, by New Hanover county.

The special bridge committee from the Chamber of Commerce, as appointed yesterday by the president, is composed of Messrs. W. D. MacMillan, Jr., chairman: M. W. Divine, M. W. Jacobi, Col. Walker Taylor, Samuel Bear, Donald MacRae, H. L. Vollers, J. A. Taylor, C. C. Covington, H. Bluethenthal and R. A. Parsley.

COL. JNO. VAN B. METTS HAS RESIGNED HIS COMMISSION.

Local Officer of Second Regiment Asks to be Placed on Retired List.

Friends here and elsewhere throughout the State will be interested to know that Lieut. Col. Jno. VanB. Metts, who for the past 21 years has taken an active part in the affairs of the North Carolina National Guard, has resigned his commission and active membership, and asked to be placed on the retired list of officers.

Col. Metts joined the Wilmington Light Infantry here in 1894 and several years later was elected second lieutenant. A short time afterwards he was made first lieutenant, which commission he later resigned and was appointed regimental adjutant for the Second Regiment, N. C., N. G. This position he filled until Colonel James resigned four or five years ago, whereupon Col. Metts was elected Lieutenant Colonel to fill the vacancy.

He has always taken a deep interest in the State militia and has worked hard and faithfully to build it up in every possible way. His business interests, however, do not allow him time to participate as actively in the military work as his position requires, and therefore he has sent in his resignation and asked to be placed on the retired list.

His friends in the militia all over the State will regret to learn that he has resigned, but they will take pleasure in remembering that they can still look forward to his interest and moral support in whatever concerns the welfare of the Guard.

NOT CONNECTED WITH BUREAU

Wilmington Trades Council Had Nothing to Do With its Organization.

One of the principal matters discussed at the regular meeting of the Wilmington Trades Council last evening was the important one of securing employment for those without work. The members of the organization wish one point made clear and that is that the Council had nothing to do with the organization of the Central Labor Bureau, of which Mr. M. Ed. Keathley has been maneger. While not antagonizing the movement in any way, the union labor men have not asked the bureau to secure employment for them.

Inquiries among the members last night showed that while of course, the union men have been hard hit by the business depression of the last few months on the whole conditions are very satisfactory and there was no disposition to grumble.

Meeting of Ministers.

The regular weekly meeting of the Wilmington Ministerial Association was held at the Y. M. C. A. yesterday morning. The visit of the Flying Squadron of America was endorsed and the ministers promised to co-operate in every way possible to make these meetings a great success. Rev. O. N. Marshall, pastor of Seagate and Masonboro Baptist church, read a paper on "The Missing Element in Education."

MEETING OF FISHING CLUB

Organization Perfected and Activities Outlined for the Approaching Fishing Season.

The recently formed New Hanover Fishing club, which has for its object the promotion of interest in salt water angling, met in the Y. M. C. A. last night and after perfecting organization by the adoption of a constitution and by-laws and the election of additional officers, spent some time in outlining a programme of activities for the coming fishing season.

The club decided to offer a prize of $5 worth of fishing tackle for the first drum, or channel bass of 10 pounds or over, to be caught with rod and reel the coming season. This is merely preliminary to the monthly prizes to be given throughout the season for the largest fish in certain classes.

Announcement of these classes, and the prizes to be given, will be made later by the contest committee. The club will also hold a casting tournament early in the season, when suitable prizes will be offered to the winners of the several events.

The constitution and by-laws adopted last night, provides for a Board of Directors to have general charge of the club, this board to consist of the officers of the club, and two additional members elected by the membership. Following the adoption of the constitution and by-laws Messrs. W. J. Swails and E. D. Harvey were elected members of the Board of Directors, which including the officers of the club is composed as follows: Messrs. Theo. G. Empie, John R. Hanby, H. R. Aiken, A. J. Mitchell, Burke H. Bridgers, W. J. Swails and E. D. Harvey.

Mr. Burke H Bridgers was elected as chairman of the contest committee, and the appointment of the members of this, as well as other committees not previously named, was left with President T. G. Empie.

The legislative committee, appointed at the first meeting of the club, made a report of its work.

A nominal initiation fee of $1 and annual dues of $1 were decided upon at the meeting last night. The club now has a membership of nearly 100, and this is expected to double between now and the time the fishing season opens up.

The matter of arranging for small frame structures for the use of the members of the club at Masonboro and Moore's inlets and possibly on Shell island, was left with the Board of Directors.

Mr. Theodore G. Empie, the president, presided at the meeting last night and the secretary, Mr. H. R. Aiken, kept a record of the proceedings.

BOY SCOUTS CELEBRATE.

Joint Reception and Entertainment at Y. M. C. A. Last Night.

Celebrating the birthday of the world-wide organization of Boy Scouts, a joint reception was held at the Y. M. C. A. last night. The event was greatly enjoyed, not only by the boys present, but also by their fathers, mothers and sisters, many of whom were present. A feature of the occasion was the presentation of honor badges to a number of boys by Mr. John J. Blair, superintendent of the city schools.

Clewell Howell, president of the organization, welcomed the visitors, following which the Boy Scouts joined some five hundred thousand other boys throughout the United States in repeating the oath of the Scouts. Mr. D. H. Penton made a short address in which he heartily endorsed the work and its purpose. Next was a stereopticon lecture by one of the scout officers. Prof. Georges' Orchestra rendered seceral enjoyable selections during the evening and Prof. Georges also gave a violin solo. The programme was closed with the serving of refreshments by the boys.

Those to whom merit badges, the highest honor of the organization, were given are as follows: Howard Green, Howard Penton, Harry Tucker, Carl Mahler and Clewell Howell.

A first class badge was awarded to Charles Cavenaugh.

Second class badges were awarded to Frank Russell, John Hardin, Louis Skinner, Edward Pratt and Douglas Sprunt.

The committee in charge of the entertainment last night was composed of Clewell Howell, president; Harry Tucker, Douglas Sprunt, John Hardin, William Ek and Carl Mahler.

WANT COUNCILMAN NAMED BY THE LEGISLATURE.

Citizens of Proposed New Ward Opposed to Council Naming Him.

Citizens of the prospective new sixth ward are understood to be opposed to the idea of City Council naming the representative from their ward to serve for the three months intervening before the next general election, as is provided for in the amendment to the annexation bill, and it is likely that a delegation will appear before the Legislature to urge that the member from their ward be named in the bill creating the ward.

The matter will probably be brought up before the Senate Committee the latter part of this week or early next week, and at that time it is believed that the citizens of the Sixth ward will recommend to the Legislature someone to be named in the bill to serve on Council from their ward until the next election.

Among those understood to have been considered for the position are mentioned Messrs. C. W. Woodward, J. Haughton James, and Capt. J. S. Williams. Mr. Percy W. Wells, who was mentioned last week in connection with the position, stated that he would not accept even if it were offered to him.

BIG CROP OF IRISH POTATOES TO BE PLANTED

Mr. J. P. Herring Says Farmers Are Busy Getting Lands Ready.

Mr. J. P. Herring, county farm demonstrator, stated yesterday that the farmers are very busy now preparing for the planting of spring vegetables. He predicts a bumper crop of Irish potatoes this year unless it should prove to be a backward season. He says many farmers are going to raise large quantities. The planting of lettuce and other vegetables will be about normal, he thinks.

Mr. Herring returned Saturday night from Newbern, where the demonstration agents of the eastern district held their meeting on Thursday and Friday. The meeting was educational and a strenuous programme was carried out. The 40 or more agents present, however, took time enough to attend some of the social events arranged in their honor by the Newbern Chamber of Commerce, including a trip down the river to an oyster roast and an automobile ride.

BILL FOR CITY LIGHT PLANT

Councilman Wood Would Submit Question to the People at Municipal Election in May.

City Attorney E. K. Bryan, at the request of Councilman T. W. Wood, has drafted a bill to be presented to the General Assembly for enactment into law, to allow the people of the city to vote on the question of a municipally owned electric light and power plant. The bill provides for submitting the question to the people at the regular municipal election in May, and also carries provisions for a bond issue for $100,000 to be used in acquiring and operating such a plant.

Mr. Wood has long been in favor of the municipally owned electric light plant, and has on several other occasions made an effort to have the question submitted to the people. Several weeks ago, it will be remembered, he asked Council to authorize Mr. Bryan, at his request, to draw up such a bill, to be submitted to the Legislature. He stated at the time that he did not think there would be any trouble about getting such a measure through the Legislature.

The bill is as follows:

"An act to be entitled 'An Act to authorize the City of Wilmington to acquire, own and operate an electric lighting plant and system for the purpose of lighting the streets of the said city and providing power for the operation of its water plant and furnishing to the citizens of said city electric lights and power.'

"The General Assembly of North Carolina Do Enact:

"Section 1. That the City Councilmen of the City of Wilmington or other governing body of the said city be, and they hereby are authorized and empowered to acquire, purchase, build, construct, maintain and operate an electric power plant in the City of Wilmington for the purpose of lighting the streets of the said city with electric lights and furnishing electric current and power to run the city's water plant and for the purpose of supplying electric lights and power to the said citizens of the said city, for such rates of charges as the City Council or other governing body of the said city may determine reasonable, and for the purpose of acquiring, building, constructing, maintaining and operating such plant, the City Council of the City of Wilmington, or other governing body of the said city are hereby authorized and empowered to issue in the name of the City of Wilmington coupon bonds in such an amount as the City Council of the said city may determine to be necessary for that purpose, not exceeding the sum of one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000), which said bonds so to be issued shall be in such form and of such denomination and run for such length of time as the said Council of the City of Wilmington may determine. Provided, however, that the said bonds shall not be made payable at a date less than thirty (30) years from the date of their issue nor more than forty (40) years after the date of their issue and shall bear a rate of interest not exceeding five (5) percentum per annum, interest to be payable semi-annually, which said bonds when so issued, shall be signed in the name of the City of Wilmington by its mayor and the execution thereof attested by the city clerk and treasurer, with the corporate seal thereto affixed. And the bonds issued under this Act shall be numbered consecutively and each coupon on said bond shall bear the same number as does the bond and shall bear the facsimile signature of the mayor and the city clerk and treasurer; and each coupon shall be for the amount of the semi-annual interest on said bond and shall state the amount of the interest and the date of its maturity. And the bonds to be issued under this Act shall be exempted from city taxation and the coupon from the same shall be receivable in payment for any taxes which may become due to the City of Wilmington.

"Sec. 2. That the said bonds so to be issued under this Act shall not be sold or in any manner disposed of by the City Council or other governing body of the said city for less than their par value. Nor shall the fund derived from the sale of said bonds be used for any purpose other than in acquiring, building, constructing, maintaining and operating said electric power plant and lighting system of the said City of Wilmington.

"Sec. 3. That it shall be lawful for the City of Wilmington after the said electric power plant and system is installed, to operate and maintain said electric light and power plant and from time to time extend and enlarge the same and to furnish electric lights for lighting the streets of the said city and to provide lights and motor power for private use, and to charge such reasonable rentals to persons who shall desire electric lights and power for private uses as the City Council, or other governing body of the said city may determine reasonable and just. Provided, however, that all charges for rentals and lights and power to citizens and corporations of the said city shall be uniform and without discrimination. That the money received by the city from rentals and charges for lights and power furnished its citizens and patrons, or so much thereof as may be necessary in maintaining and keeping in proper condition the said plant and lighting system shall first be used in maintaining said plant and system and in enlarging and extending the same. And if there shall be any residue from such source, it shall be invested in such securities as the City Council of the said city, or other governing body of the said city may determine wise, to be held by it as a sinking fund with which to pay the bonds herein provided to be issued at their maturity.

"Sec. 4. That for the purpose of paying the said bonds at their maturity and the interest coupons upon the same as they become due and payable, it shall be the duty of the City Council of the City of Wilmington, or other governing body of said city, to levy and collect each year a sufficient special tax upon all the subjects of taxation under the charter of the said city, in the manner and at the same time as other taxes are levied and collected in said city under its charter. And said special tax so levied and collected as aforesaid shall be used for no other purpose than for providing a sinking fund with which to pay the said bonds at maturity, and the payment of the coupons maturing upon said bonds as they mature.

"Sec. 5. The said City Council of the City of Wilmington, or other governing body of said city, shall not issue said bonds or any of them, nor levy or collect any taxes to pay the same or the interest thereon until they shall have been authorized and empowered so to do by a majority of the qualified voters of said city voting at the next general municipal election held in said city after the passage of this Act, notice of which said election shall be given for not less than twenty (20) days in the daily newspapers published in the said election there will be submitted to the qualified voters of said city for their approval the question of whether or not the City of Wilmington shall issue bonds in an amount not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000) for the purpose of acquiring owning and operating an electric power and lighting plant and maintaining and operating the same. At such election those favoring municipal ownership of such plant and system and the issue of said bonds, and the levy and collection of taxes for the payment of the said bonds and coupons shall vote a ballot upon which are written or printed the words 'For electric light and power bonds'; and that those opposing the same shall vote a written or printed ballot containing the words 'Against electric light and power bonds.' Said election shall be held under the same rules and regulations as the election for mayor and other officials of said city. And the City Board of Elections of said city shall provide a separate ballot box in which the electors of said city desiring to vote on the question of the issue of the bonds shall cast their ballot for or against the said bond, and shall also provide separate printed ballots upon white paper at each election precinct for the voters for said purpose, which said ballot shall be printed upon white paper and shall bear the fac simile signature of the chairman of the said City Board of Elections.

"Sec. 6. That this Act shall be in force and effect from and after its ratification."

CLASSIFICATION BY STREETS.

New City Directory Will Include Feature Heretofore Lacking.

The new city directory, upon which representatives of the Hill Directory Company, of Richmond, Va., will start work within the next few weeks, will contain a classification of the city's residents according to the streets on which they live, it has been definitely decided.

This is a feature which has been lacking in the former directories, and is one that will add much to the value of the forthcoming publication.

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Says a Special Correspondent

A new medical treatment called Mrs. Osgood's Wonder has been devised that never fails to remove all traces of humiliating hair growths wherever applied. It is extremely effective even in the longest standing cases and cannot injure the skin or complexion.

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SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Mrs. C. B. Lamar arrived Sunday to visit her brother, Mr. M. C. Hammond.

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The regular meeting of the Housewives' League will be held this afternoon at 4 o'clock in the League headquarters, corner Front and Chesnut streets.

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The weekly subscription dance of the Cape Fear Country Club will be given Wednesday evening. Cars will leave Front and Princess streets at 8:15 and 9:15 o'clock.

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The Ladies' Foreign Missionary Society of the First Presbyterian church will hold its regular monthly meeting Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the church parlors. All the ladies of the congregation are invited to attend.

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Friends of Mrs. T. H. Holmes will regret to learn that she underwent an operation at the James Walker Memorial Hospital yesterday. Her condition was reported last night as being very satisfactory.

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The regular monthly meeting of the Ladies' Missionary Society of the First Presbyterian church will be held this afternoon at 4 o'clock in the church parlors. All the ladies of the congregation are cordially invited to be present.

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Mrs. J. B. Rice left yesterday for New Orleans where she will be a guest for several weeks of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Damon, formerly of this city, attending while away the great Mardi Gras celebration, which begins this month in New Orleans.

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The third annual masquerade ball of the Young Men's Hebrew Association will be given this evening beginning at 8:30 o'clock. The charge for admission will be 50 cents and ladies will be admitted free. Valuable prizes will be awarded the most original masque and to the most graceful couple.

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Yesterday's Raleigh News and Observer: "Miss Florence Busbee entertained a few friends at dinner at the Yarborough hotel last evening in honor of Miss Miriam Holladay, of Wilmington, who is visiting in the city. Those present were Mrs. Charles Busbee, Misses Florence Busbee, Miriam Holladay, Katherine Krews and Messrs. Sam Telfair, Don Harris, Thomas Boushall and Mr. Davis, of A. & M."

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Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Caldwell, of Lumberton, spent Sunday and Monday in the city, guests at the Hotel Wilmington. They came down Saturday night to spend Sunday with Mr. Caldwell's sister, Miss Lizzie Caldwell, who has been here several weeks under special treatment, and remained over until yesterday afternoon in order that Mr. Caldwell might have time to attend to some business affairs.

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Rocky Mount, N. C., Feb. 8.—There was a pretty wedding Sunday afternoon at the home of the bride's parents on Sunset Avenue when Miss Bessie Gibson was given in marriage to Mr. L. B. Pitt, of Halifax county. The marriage ceremony was witnessed by invited friends and relatives, the marriage being performed by Rev. R. C. Craven, pastor of the First Methodist church. The bride is a young woman whose sterling qualities and genial disposition have won for her scores of friends in this city. Mr. Pitt is a prominent young man of Halifax.

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SOCIAL MEETING TONIGHT OF CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

As a part of the observance of Christian Endeavor week by all the societies throughout the world, the Christian Endeavor Society of the First Presbyterian church will hold a delightful social in the church parlors tonight beginning at 8 o'clock. Being the last meeting before Valentine day, there will be features reminding those present of the quaint customs of this age-old day.

There will be a short programme of instrumental and vocal music, readings and a short address following which there will be enjoyable games. Refreshments will be served.

Miss Marie Plowden and Miss Elizabeth Thames will play a piano duet and Miss Mae Willson will sing a solo. Miss Louise Gaston Worth will give a reading. Mr. B. B. Reynolds will make a short address on the work of the Christian Endeavor.

RECEPTION ON FRIDAY NIGHT

Cape Fear Club Will Have "House Warming" For Its Invited Friends First in Several Years.

For the first time in several years the Cape Fear club, Wilmington's well known social organization, will have a "house warming," to which friends of the members will be invited, on Friday evening from 9 to 1 o'clock. This will be the first event of its kind to be given in the handsome new home of the club and will give friends of the club members an opportunity to inspect the edifice.

There will be dancing for those who like this form of entertainment. Refreshments will be served during the evening. It is planned to make the evening one of real enjoyment and pleasure for all.

The committee on arrangements for the occasion is composed of Messrs. C. E. Taylor, Jr., chairman; George B. Elliott, Lyman Delano, Thomas H. Wright and W. A. Dick.

The halls and rooms of the club will be attractively and elaborately decorated for the occasion.

LOCAL DOTS.

—By deed filed for record yesterday J. Edwin Bunting and wife transfer to Jas. L. White, for $1 and other considerations, lot No. 22 in Block 26, Carolina Place.

—The Chamber of Commerce has received from Secretary Redfield a copy of Senate Document No. 673, dealing with the increased rates for ocean transportation. The information is on file at the Chamber, for the use of members and others interested.

—L. W. Matthews, a white man, reported to the police yesterday that he gave Clarence Spicer, colored, 75 cents to buy a quart of whiskey and that the negro failed to return. Spicer was arrested by Plainclothesman D. W. Coleman on a warrant charging him with larceny by trick.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. F. P. Lennon, of Supply, was a visitor in the city yesterday.

—Mr. Geo. H. Wheeler left yesterday for High Point, Va., where he will spend some time.

—Mr. J. T. John, Jr., of John's Station, spent yesterday in the city, a guest at the Orton.

FUNERAL OF MR. CALDER.

Services from St. James' Episcopal Church Yesterday Morning.

The funeral of Mr. William Calder, whose death occurred Saturday morning at his home, No. 311 North Third street, was conducted yesterday morning at 11 o'clock from St. James' Episcopal church, of which the deceased was for many years a faithful and loyal member, by the rector, Rev. Dr. Wm. H. Milton. There was a large congregation present at the sad service and there were many beautiful floral designs. The interment was in Oakdale cemetery.

The pall-bearers were Messrs. John Murchison, Clayton Giles, Jr., Thos. W. Davis, J. V. Grainger, Jr., Robert Cantwell and Ashley Curtis.

Members of Cape Fear Camp, United Confederate Veterans, attended the services in a body and escorted the remains to the grave.

SMOKER LAST NIGHT.

Special Representative Makes Address to Knights of Columbus.

The Wilmington Branch of the Knights of Columbus held a special meeting in their hall on North Third street last evening. Mr. Frank J. Sherlock, special representative from the Supreme Council, of Chicago, Ill., attended the meeting and made a very instructive address on the principles of the order.

The meeting was entirely informal and cigars were passed around during the evening, making the occasion an enjoyable one in every way.

DON RICHARDSON SCORES SUCCESS IN NEW YORK

Orchestra One of Best in Metropolis, Says American Musician.

The many friends of Mr. Don Richardson, who is well known in Wilmington and vicinity, having last summer appeared with his orchestra at Lumina during the entire season, will be glad to learn of his success in New York, this being his third season in the metropolis. The following is from the American Musician of last week:

"Don Richardson and his New York Society Orchestra are doing big things the present season. This organization is perhaps the newest of the really well known musical bodies doing this particular kind of work here in New York city.

"Most of the other well known orchestras and their leaders have been in the city at least several years but Don Richardson is now playing his third season. In this short time he and his orchestra have played over 500 engagements, and engagements of a private nature only—this being the policy of the organization. The Don Richardson Orchestra claims the distinction in this short time of three seasons of playing of having played of society clubs than any other leader of society orchestras in New York city. One hundred and twelve clubs are regular patrons of this popular orchestra.

"These facts may be attributed to several reasons: Don Richardson is, besides being a fine violinist, very adapt in selecting the unique programmes for his respective clubs. The members of his orchestra are experienced musicians, and men carefully selected for their reliability, sobriety, appearance and good fellowship among themselves.

"The musicians have been with Richardson since the organization of the orchestra, which enables a well balanced ensemble to be had at all times.

"Richardsan and his men got together on a certain occasion the early part of the present season and planned several famous and well known songs to be adapted as 'hesitations' for the edification of their dancing friends, such as 'Mighty Lak' a Rose,' 'Perfect Day,' etc., which happily made a big hit and meant numerous engagements for the orchestra. It is a well known fact that today most all the society orchestras are playing the same two songs as waltzes. The Don Richardson Orchestra was engaged a few weeks ago to make several dance records for the Columbia Graphophone Company, which fact alone speaks high praise for the organization. The one prime secret, perhaps, one that has called attention to the uniqueness of the orchestra, is the lively spirit which each man puts into the popular music—and Richardson has supplied at least two numbers on most of his programmes which call forth the best spirit of his men.

"Zum," an original one-step, with a swing and go from start to finish, bringing in a famous "College Yell," which becomes contagious among all those who hear it, and "Athene," the new waltz, dedicated to the Athene club, of this city. Both these compositions were written by Richardson and held for the exclusive use of his orchestra until finally he has made records of both."

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Monthly Meeting Yesterday Afternoon—Routine Business.

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education of New Hanover county was held yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The Board was in session for more than an hour but only routine matters received attention. The auditing of the bills for the month consumed considerable time.

Chairman J. O. Carr presided at the meeting and the other members, Messrs. J. G. L. Geischen and B. Solomon, were also present. Prof. Washington Catlett, county superintendent of public instruction, was also present at the meeting.

To Attend Hearing.

In the city yesterday was Hon. J. A. Brown, of Chadbourn, on his way to Raleigh to attend this afternoon the hearings before the legislative committee, on the State anti-saloon bill. The hearing is before the Senate Committee on Propositions and Grievances and the House Committee on Liquor Traffic. Temperance forces from all sections of the State are expected to attend the hearing.

BEFORE THE RECORDER

J. T. Whitehurst Acquitted of Charges Brought Against Him.

J. T. Whitehurst, an old white man, who lives near Wilmington, was yesterday found not guilty by the Recorder of a charge of disposing mortgaged property. It appeared from the evidence that Whitehurst purchased a cultivator from W. B. Cooper & Co., and that recently he disposed of a cultivator, which, however, was not the one under mortgage. Hon. John D. Bellamy, assisted Solicitor Peshau, while Wm. J. Bellamy, Esq., appeared for the defendant.

James Hooker and Mack Woodberry, two colored boys, charged with engaging in an affray, were taxed with one-half the costs each. Later the Hooker boy was paroled under the custody of Mr. John Poole. Florence Johnson, colored, charged with assault, was taxed with the costs.

Barny Helms and Judson Wheeler, both colored, charged with entering a Coast Line car and stealing some dry goods; will be tried today. Bill Burnett, colored, charged with assault with a deadly weapon, was given 60 days on the county roads.

THIEVES MADE BIG HAUL SUNDAY NIGHT

Entrance Made Into Restaurant of Savage & Savage—$135 Stolen.

Thieves entered the restaurant of Savage & Savage, No. 5 Princess street, some time early yesterday morning and robbed the cash drawer of $135 in money. The robbery was not discovered until the proprietors came down yesterday morning to open up for the day. The matter was reported immediately to the police and the Plainclothesmen Leon George and D. W. Coleman were put to work on the case.

Mr. Savage stated that the money in the cash drawer was the amount that had been taken in since Saturday morning. He did not carry it home Sunday night, fearing that some one might try to rob him. He thinks that entrance to the place was gained either by using a pass key or by the robber hiding himself in the place before he closed up for the night.

CONCERT AT COURT HOUSE

Deputy Kelly Performs on Play-Piano Seized by Sheriff.

A piano of the self-player type was seized by the sheriff yesterday on claim and delivery proceedings instituted in Superior Court by the Haggerty-Cook Company against E. S. Waddell and J. H. Bost, and the instrument is being held at the court house pending the settlement of the case.

Deputy Sheriff A. L. Kelly, who is a musical soul, took advantage of the situation yesterday at noon to render quite a concert, and the spacious corridors of the court house resounded to the strains of "Rock of Ages," and several other hymns, to which the genial officer's efforts were confined by the available "rolls." Mr. Kelly's only regret was that the instrument's repertoire did not contain "Tipperary" or some of the other popular Irish ballads.

B. J. Cottle Renders Aid.

The Atlanta papers of last week carried a story of a young man named Garland Cooper who committed suicide by drinking three ounces of carbolic acid. He had walked into a restaurant and ordered a sandwich and a glass of water. B. J. Cottle, formerly of Wilmington, employed in a nearby drug store, was summoned and gave him an antidote consisting of diluted alcohol. However, it was too late and the man died within a few minutes after reaching the hospital.

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CROSSES ATLANTIC SAFELY.

City of Columbus Reported Off Coast of England.

According to advices received in Wilmington yesterday, the City of Columbus, which recently sailed from Wilmington with cargo of cotton for Rotterdam, had already passed the southern coast of England and had taken on a pilot. It is expected that the vessel will soon arrive at its destination. There are three Wilmington boys aboard, who shipped as seamen. Dr. Bowdoin, of the James Walker Memorial Hospital staff, went as ship's doctor.

The City of Savannah, which preceded the City of Columbus several weeks before has already discharged her cargo at Rotterdam and is ready to start on her return trip to Wilmington.

SCHOOL IS CROWDED

More Than Three Score Tots in First Grade at Delgado.

Prof. Washington Catlett, county superintendent of public instruction of New Hanover county, has various troubles which he always endeavors to settle amicably. One of the big difficulties confronting him right now is what to do with more than three-score boys and girls in the primary department at the Delgado school. There are 128 pupils enrolled in the school with three teachers.

Naturally the primary teacher, with more than 60 pupils, has more than she can well care for. Some way to relieve the situation will be arranged, Prof. Catlett says, but just now he doesn't know what he can do.

Man Left Boarding House.

Report was made to the police department yesterday morning that Mr. R. O. Tucker had disappeared Saturday night from his boarding place, No. 412 Brunswick street. Mrs. Kelly, who conducts the boarding house, stated that he had been acting strangely for several days and she feared that he might have sustained some accident. He is said to be about 40 years old and was a laborer. He is also said to have a wife and four children in Richmond, Va.

Philadelphia, Feb. 8.—The torpedo boat destroyer O'Brien returned today after a speed trial off the Delaware Capes. The vessel maintained an average of 30.85 knots for four hours. The contract called for 29 knots.

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

PRICES GENERALLY HIGHER

Cotton Quiet in New York, Close Barely Steady at 3 to 4 Points Net Advance.

New York, Feb. 8.—Cotton was quiet today and prices ruled generally higher, with the close barely steady at a net gain of 3 to 4 points.

Liverpool was better than due and the local market opened steady at a decline of one point to an advance of two points. There was very little business and prices fluctuated within a range of 3 or 4 points until after midday, when buying became a little more active on the continued heavy exports and reports of steady Southern spot markets. Active months sold about 7 to 10 points net higher on this advance, but there was enough realizing in the late trading to cause reactions of 5 to 6 points from the best. The small volume of business was attributed to uncertainty over the shipping situation and the technical administration of some of the features of the cotton futures law, which goes into effect February 18. The heavy clearances reported for the day, however, demonstrated that the latest war developments had not checked the immediate outward movement of cotton, while the absence of further Southern selling also encouraged the buying movement.

Spot cotton, quiet. Middling uplands, 8.65; no sales.

Futures closed barely steady.

Month:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Mar	8:60	8:70	8:60	8:64
May	8:86	8:95	8:85	8:89
July	9:06	9:14	9:05	9:09
Oct	9:31	9:37	9:28	9:32
Dec	9:44	9:50	9:43	9:46

THE PORT MOVEMENT.

New Orleans—Middling, 8 3-16; receipts, 10,201; exports, 24,639; sales, 24,-639; sales, 2,325; stock, 403,178.

Galveston — Middling, 8½; receipts, 22,675; exports, 56,807; sales, 315; stock, 526,067.

Mobile — Middling, 8; reecipts, 867; sales, 75; stock, 45,266.

Savannah — Middling, 8¾; receipts, 12,139; exports, 41,734; sales, 2,761; stock, 314,070.

Charleston—Middling, 8¼; receipts, 1,054; sales, 500; stock, 137,391.

Wilmington—Middling, 8¼; receipts, 3,059; stock, 52,270.

Norfolk—Middling, 8¼; receipts, 6,-157; sales, 1,269; stock, 88,022.

Baltimore—Middling, 8 ; stock, 5,-234.

Boston—Middling, 8.65; receipts, 384; stock, 10,400.

Philadelphia — Middling, 8.90; receipts, 13; stock, 9,563.

New York—Middling, 8.65; receipts, 50; exports, 500; stock, 97,420.

Minor Ports—Stock, 129,695.

Total today—Receipts, 56,599; exports, 123,680; stock, 1,818,546.

Total for week—Receipts, 133,335; exports, 213,040.

Total for season—Receipts, 6,984,430; exports, 4,333,297.

Interior Movement.

Houston—Middling, 8¼; receipts, 32,-216; shipments, 33,344; sales, 4,299; stock, 219,313.

Memphis — Middling, 8; receipts, 9,-216; shipments, 7,812; sales, 2,000; stock, 331,790.

Augusta—Middling, 8 3-16; receipts, 1,520; shipments, 2,110; sales, 1,156; stock, 148,540.

St. Louis—Middling, 8; receipts, 2,-760; shipments, 2,787; sales, 115; stock, 38,996.

Cincinnati — Receipts, 1,553; shipments, 1,712; stock, 10,401.

Little Rock—Middling, 7¾; receipts, 1,062; shipments, 987; stock, 63,510.

Total today—Receipts, 48,327; shipments, 48,732; stock, 712,550.

Dallas—Middling, 8¼; sales, 3,279.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, Feb. 8. — Cotton, spot, quiet; good middling, 3.79; middling, 5.07; low middling, 4.66; sales, 7,000; speculation and export, 1,000; receipts, 3,019.

Futures, quiet. May-June, 4.95; July-August, 5.03½; October-November, 5.16; January-February, 5.2.

COTTON SEED OIL MARKET.

New York, Feb. 8. — Cotton seed oil was a couple of points higher early today, but soon turned easy under liquidation for consumption as well as local account, induced by the break in lard and slow demand from consuming sources. Final prices were 8 to 10 points net lower. Sales, 13,600 barrels.

The market closed steady. Spot, 7.00@7.06; February, 7.00@7.05; March, 7.03@7.05; April, 7.06@7.12; May, 7.13@7.14; June, 7.23@7.27; July, 7.30@7.31; August, 7.40@7.41; September, 7.50@7.55.

CHICAGO CATTLE MARKET.

Chicago, Feb. 8.—Hogs—Firm, higher. Bulk, 6.75@6.90; light, 6.65@6.90; mixed, 6.65@6.90; heavy, 6.50@6.90; rough, 6.50@6.65; pigs, 5.60@5.80.

Cattle—Weak. Native steers, 5.80@8.85; Cows and heifers, 3.00@7.85; calves, 7.50@11.00.

Sheep — Firm. Sheep, 6.25@7.10; yearlings, 7.50@8.15; lambs, 7.50@9.00.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Feb. 8. — Cotton goods and yarns were steady today. Raw wool advanced further in local markets. Raw silk was easy. Trade generally was steady.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

Heavy Export Movement Again the Outstanding Feature of Market.

New Orleans, Feb. 8.—The heavy export movement was again the outstanding feature of the cotton market today. Until the day's statistics were posted the market was dull and heavy and inclined to sag under scattered short selling from the scalping element, but a quick bulge of about 10 points followed. The close was at a net gain for the day of 5 to 8 points.

At the highest prices were 8 to 10 points over Saturday's finals, at the lowest they were one point under.

Shipments from all ports, including those cargoes moving coastwise, were 140,281 bales, of which 123,680 bales were bound for foreign countries. Thus far this week, exports total 213,040 bales.

Spot cotton steady, unchanged. Sales on the spot 925 bales; to arrive 1,400. Cotton futures closing: March 8.34; May 8.59; July 8.78; October 9.05; December 9.20.

WHEAT SWINGS TO BEAR SIDE

Loses All of an Early Advance and More, Despite Liberal Decline in Visible Supply.

Chicago, Feb. 8. — Notwithstanding a liberal decline in the United States visible supply total, wheat today swung to the bear side, losing all of an early advance and more. The market closed unsettled at ⅛ to ¾c. net decline.

Other losses for the day were: Corn, ½ to ½@⅝; oats gained ⅛@ , and provisions, 2½@15c.

Grain and provisions closed:

Wheat—May, 1.63¼; July, 1.38⅞.

Corn—May, 79⅜; July, 81.

Oats—May, 60¼; July, 57¼.

Pork—May, 19.15; July, 19.52.

Lard—May, 10.97.; July, 11.12.

Ribs—May, 10.22; July 10.47.

Cash grain:

Wheat—No. 2, red, 1.62¾@1.65; No. 2, hard, 1.62¾@1.65½.

MARINE.

Cleared.

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MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. Mar Adriatico (Sp.), 1,783 tons, Bilboa, Henry Whyte.

Str. Nicaria (Ger.) 2,289 tons, Hollasch, Heide & Co.

Str. Kiel (Ger) 2,272 tons, Hanke, at Southport, Heide & Co.

Schooners.

Schr. Herbert May, 318 tons, Black, C. D. Mafflitt & Co.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Feb. 8.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Steady at 44½ cents.

ROSIN—Nominal.

TAR—Firm, $1.70 per barrel; 7 cents per gallon.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Nominal.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, steady, 46c.; Rosin, firm, $3.85; Tar, firm, $2.50-9c.; Crude Turpentine, firm, $3.50, $3.50, $2.50.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine .. ..(—)

Tar .. ..(—)

.. .. 87

Crude Turpentine .. ..(—)

Receipts same day last year—Spirits Turpentine, (—) casks; rosin, 10 barrels; tar, 15 barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market — Spot, middling, quiet, 8⅛ cents; quotations same day last year, nominal.

Receipts—2,908 bales; same day last year, 669 bales.

Total receipts since September 1st, to date, 131,781 bales.

Total receipts to same day last year, 341,866 bales.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at This Port Yesterday.

Wilmington, Feb. 8.

Atlantic Coast Line—2,519 bales cotton; 75 barrels tar.

Seaboard Air Line—360 bales cotton; 12 barrels tar.

Str. Thelma—6 bales cotton.

Str. Oast—19 bales cotton.

Total—2,904 bales cotton; 87 barrels tar.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Feb. 6.)

CORN—$2.10 per sack.

PEAS—Black eyed peas, $2.50 per bu.; cow peas, market not open.

POTATOES — Irish potatoes, 80@85c. per bu. Sweet potatoes, yams, 65@75c. per bu.

BEEF—Native dressed, 7@9c.; good sales.

PORK—Small, 8@10c per lb.

SHEEP—Out of season.

WOOL—Burry, 14 to 15c.; black wool, 16 to 17c.; first-class white wool, 21c. free, 20@21c. per lb.

HIDES—Green salt, 13c.; dry flints, 17c. per lb.; good demand.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON — Old hams, 20c.; sides and shoulders, 15c. lb.; very dull; no sales.

BEESWAX—Firm, 28c. per lb.

POULTRY — Chickens, grown, 40@45c. Spring, 15@30c. per head; very dull. Turkeys, 15@16 2-3 cents per lb.; very dull.

EGGS—20@22c. per doz., very dull; price expected to go lower.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Feb. 6.—North Carolina Peanuts — Market, firm; new crop, fancy hand picked, 70c; No. 1, machine picked, 60c per bu.

Virginia Peanuts—Steady, New crop Jumboes, 60c; fancy hand picked, 55c; No. 1, machine picked, 50c per bu.

Spanish Peanuts—Steady. New crop, No. 1, small, machine picked, 75c.; Jumboes, 65c. per bu. All receipts, heavier.

FINANCIAL QUOTATIONS.

New York, Feb. 8.—Mercantile paper, 3½@4 per cent. Sterling exchange, weak. Sixty day bills, 4.82; for cables, 4.8865; for demand, 4.8325.

Bar silver, 48⅛. Mexican dollars, 37. Government bonds, easy; railroad bonds, firm.

Time loans, steady; sixty days, 2½; ninety days, 2¾; six months, 3¼@3½.

Call money, steady; ruling rate, 2.

SAVANNAH NAVAL STORES.

Savannah, Ga., Feb. 8. — Turpentine, firm, 44¾; sales, 33; receipts, 97; shipments, 15; stocks, 35,026.

Rosin—Firm. Sales, 356; receipts, 1,-232; shipments, 1,100; stocks, 138,456. Quote: A, B, 3.05; C, D, 3.07½; E, 3.10; F, 3.15; G, 3.17½; H, I, 3.20; K, 3.40; M, 4.00; N, 5.00; W G, 5.40; W W, 5.60.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

New York, Feb. 8. —Raw sugar, firm; molasses sugar, 4.00; centrifugal, 4.77; reined, firm.

Butter—Steady.

Cheese—Firm.

Coffee—Spot, quiet; No. 7, Rio, 8¾; Santos, No. 4, 9¾.

Chicago, Feb. 8.—James A. Gilmore, president of the Federal League, announced today he had signed Ed. Reulbach, former pitcher for the Brooklyn Nationals. Reulbach's contract with the Federals is for one year. He will be assigned to a club later.

STOCK MARKET IRREGULAR

Substantial Recoveries from Recent Low Prices Numerous, However. Mainly in Specialties.

New York, Feb. 8.—Substantial recoveries from recent low prices were numerous in today's irregular stock market, but the movement was mainly in specialties which have little or no public following. Such shares as Central Leather, American Cotton Oil, the petroleums and Motors, and a few affiliated issues, rose to one to two points. American Smelting and National Lead were unusually active and strong, their rise, according to report, being based on improved trade conditions. Sugar shares also made further recovery on an advance in the refined product.

In the Industrial division Bethlehem Steel rose over three points to 57 1-8, a new high record, on steady absorption. United States Steel was firm throughout the session.

Despite the large orders placed with equipment companies, shares of some of those concerns are conspicuously weak. American Locomotive preferred made a perpendicular decline of 13 points to its new minimum of 83. Other stocks to fall to their established low levels included Baldwin Locomotive common and preferred; Seaboard Air Line preferred, and Southern Railway preferred. After the close of the session the minimum on Southern preferred was reduced to two points to 53.

Canadian Pacific was the center of interest in the railway group on dividend rumors. The stock fluctuated over three points, closing at its best price and being immediately followed by announcement of the regular dividend. Reading and the Pacific were under bear pressure, but closed with a firm undertone.

Foreign Exchange made a new low record, cables selling under last week's quotations. Business for London and the continent was nominal. The plethoria of money at this center was seen in the reduction of four months money to 3 per cent.

Bonds were irregular, some of the important issues showing heaviness. Total sales, par value, aggregated $1,-908,000. United States registered 2s declined 1-4 per cent on call.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Amalgamated Copper	53⅝
American Agricultural	50¾
American Can	28½
American Car and Foundry	44⅞
American Cities, pfd	B. 50
American Cotton Oil	48¼
American Smelting	64⅝
American Snuff	B.150
American Sugar	102½
American Tel and Tel	120⅝
American Tobacco	B.230
Atchison	93⅝
Atlantic Coast Line	104⅝
Baltimore and Ohio	69
Canadian Pacific	157⅞
Central Leather	36
Chesapeake and Ohio	43¼
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	87
Erie	22⅜
General Electric	B.141
Great Northern, pfd	114⅝
Ills. Central (ex. div., 1½)	105⅝
Interborough-Met., pfd	56½
Kansas City Southern	B. 22
Lehigh Valley	134⅞
Louisville and Nashville	117
Liggett and Myers	B.210
Lorillard Co	offered.180
Missouri, Kansas and Texas	11¼
Missouri Pacific	11½
Mexican Petroleum	76½
New York Central	88⅝
N. Y., N. H. and Hartford	50½
Norfolk and Western	100⅞
Northern Pacific	103
Pennsylvania	105⅝
Reading	145½
Rep. Iron and Steel	20⅜
Rep. Iron and Steel, pfd	74½
Rock Island Co	⅞
Rock Island Co., pfd	1½
St. L. and San Fran., 2nd pfd	3
Seaboard Air Line	14
Seaboard Air Line, pfd	36
Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron	25
Southern Pacific	83⅝
Southern Railway	15½
Southern Railway, pfd	55
Tennessee Copper	29¾
Texas Co	133
Texas and Pacific	12½
Union Pacific	119
United States Steel	40¾
United States Steel, pfd	104
Utah Copper	52⅝
Virginia-Caro. Chem	B. 21
Western Union	63⅞
Bethlehem Steel	56¾

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I have this day qualified as Executor of the last will and testament of Flora E. Currie, deceased, and I hereby notify all persons having claims against said testatrix to present the same to me, duly verified, on or before February 2, 1916, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

Dated this February 1, 1915.

D. C. LOVE,
Executor of the Last Will and Testament of Flora E. Currie.

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

February 9, 1915.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 37 degrees; at 8 P. M., 40 degrees; maximum, 49 degrees; minimum, 36 degrees; mean, 42 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall for the month, to date, .70 inch.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river, at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M. yesterday 14 feet.

THE WEATHER.

Weather Forecast for North Carolina: Fair Tuesday and Wednesday.

The Port Calendar, Feb. 9, 1915.

Sun rises .....7:03 A. M.
Sun sets .....5:50 P. M.
Day's length .....10 hrs. 47 min.

THE TIDES.

	High water. A.M.	P.M.	Low water. A.M.	P.M.
Wilmington	5:43	5:58	12:19	1:08
Southport	3:28	3:48	10:00	10:08
Masonboro Inl	3:17	3:37	9:40	9:48

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

February 8, 1915.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature Highest today.	Temperature Lowest Last night.	Precipitation at 8 P. M.
Abilene	pt cldy	74	38	.0
Asheville	cldy	28	24	.0
Atlanta	clear	42	28	.0
Augusta	clear	48	34	.0
Birmingh	clear	46	28	.0
Boston	cldy	40	34	.10
Charleston	clear	52	38	.0
Charlotte	clear	42	30	.0
Chicago	clear	30	18	.0
Galveston	clear	56	50	.0
Jacksonv	clear	—	38	.0
Memphis	clear	44	30	.0
Mobile	clear	56	40	.0
Montgom'y	clear	50	34	.0
New Orl	clear	58	46	.0
New York	pt cldy	34	26	.0
Oklahoma	clear	56	30	.0
Palestine	clear	68	40	.0
Pittsburg	snow	26	20	.04
Raleigh	clear	38	32	.0
Savannah	clear	54	38	.0
Shreveport	clear	58	38	.0
St. Louis	clear	38	22	.0
Washing'n	pt cldy	34	26	.0

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 8.—Officials of the Southern Railway here today announced the following appointments: J. M. Hudspeth, superintendent terminals, Richmond, Va.; superintendents of divisions: C. G. Arthur, Richmond, Va.; C. P. King, Charleston, S. C.; C. C. Hodges, Transylvania division, Brevard, N. C.; F. S. Collins, Asheville, N. C.; O. K. Cameron, Mobile division, Selma, Ala.

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Trains Leave Wilmington Daily as Follows:

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Through Pullman Parlor Car Service Between Wilmington and Charlotte.

No. 19—5:00 A. M.—Local train for Charlotte. Sleeper open at 10:00 P. M.

For detail information and reservations, call on City Ticket Office, Orton Hotel, Wilmington, N. C. 'Phone 178.

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SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

In Effect October 12, 1914.

WINTER PARK, WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH AND INTERMEDIATE POINTS.

EASTBOUND

Leave Front and Princess for Winter Park	Leave Front and Princess for Wrightsville	Leave Front and Princess for Beach
.....	.....	.....
a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.
.....	.....	.....
6:50 A.M.	6:50 A. M.	b6:55 A. M.
a8:00 A. M.	a8:00 A. M.	.....
8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.
.....	.....	.....
10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.
11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.
1:10 P. M.	1:10 P. M.	1:10 P. M.
c1:55 P. M.	c1:55 P. M.	.....
cd2:35 P. M.	.....	.....
3:00 P. M.	3:00 P. M.	3:00 P. M.
3:30 P. M.	.....	.....
c4:10 P. M.	.....	.....
4:30 P. M.	4:30 P. M.	4:30 P. M.
c4:50 P. M.	.....	.....
5:30 P. M.	5:30 P. M.	.....
6:10 P. M.	6:10 P. M.	.....
6:40 P. M.	6:40 P. M.	6:40 P. M.
7:15 P. M.	7:15 P. M.	.....
8:15 P. M.	8:15 P. M.	.....
9:15 P. M.	9:15 P. M.	9:15 P. M.
10:15 P. M.	10:15 P. M.	.....
11:15 P.M.	11:15 P. M.	.....

WESTBOUND

Leave Winter Park for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	Leave for for Wilmington
a6:26 A. M.	a6:15 A. M.	.....
a7:31 A. M.	7:20 A. M.	.....
b7:56 A. M.	b7:45 A. M.	b7:35 A. M.
a8:61 A. M.	a7:50 A. M.	a7:40 A. M.
a8:41 A. M.	a8:30 A. M.	.....
9:36 A. M.	9:25 A. M.	9:15 A. M.
b10:31A.M.	b10:20 A. M.	.....
11:06 A. M.	11:55 A. M.	10:45 A. M.
12:36 P. M.	12:25 P. M.	12:15 P. M.
2:01 P. M.	1:50 P. M.	e1:45 P. M.
c2:36 P. M.	c2:25 P. M.	.....
cd3:06P.M.	.....	.....
c3:50 P. M.	.....	.....
4:06 P. M.	3:55 P. M.	3:45 P. M.
c4:30 P. M.	.....	.....
c5:10 P. M.	.....	.....
5:36 P. M.	5:25 P. M.	5:15 P. M.
6:11 P. M.	6:00 P. M.	.....
6:51 P. M.	6:40 P. M.	.....
7:33 P. M.	7:22 P. M.	e7:15 P. M.
8:06 P. M.	7:55 P. M.	.....
8:56 P. M.	8:45 P. M.	.....
10:21 P. M.	10:10 P. M.	10:00 P. M.
10:56 P. M.	10:45 P. M.	.....
11:56 P. M.	11:45 P. M.	.....

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(Daily, except Sundays.)

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ATLANTIC COAST LINE

Arrivals and Departures of Trains at Wilmington. Effective Nov. 23, 1914. Time Not Guaranteed.

DEPARTURES:	TO AND FROM	ARRIVALS:
No. 90. 3:40 A.M. Monday morning only.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad.	No. 91. 1:15 A.M. Sunday morning (Saturday night) only.
No. 51. * 6:35 A.M.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia, open to receive passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50. *12:45 A.M.
No. 64. ¶ 6:50 A.M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate stations.	No. 65. ¶ 6:15 P.M.
No. 48. * 7:30 A.M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains with Pullman Service.	No. 49. * 6:05 P.M.
No. 53. * 8:45 A.M.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52. * 8:05 P.M.
No. 62. * 3:25 P.M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate stations.	No. 63. *12:50 P.M.
No. 55. * 5:45 P.M.	Chadbourn, Florence, Augusta, Atlanta and the West. Charleston, Savannah and all Florida Points. Columbia, Asheville and the West. All Steel Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington, Augusta and Atlanta, and between Florence and Columbia.	No. 54. *12:50 P.M.
No. 59. ¶ 6:30 P.M.	Fayetteville and Intermediate stations.	No. 60. ¶10:15 A.M.
No. 42. * 6:45 P.M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars, between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains; also Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41. * 9:45 A.M.

* Daily. ¦ Daily except Sunday. ¶ Tuesdays, Thursday and Saturdays.

For folders, reservations, rates of fares, etc., call 'phone 160.

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Schedule in Effect Nov. 22, 1914.

Lv. Norfolk	8:30a.m.	8:00p.m.
Lv. Petersburg	11:00a.m.	10:40p.m.
Lv. Durham	2:45p.m.	2:30a.m.
Lv. Lynchburg	7:00a.m.	5:30p.m.
Ar. Cincinnati	7:20a.m.	6:20a.m.
Ar. Columbus	6:45a.m.	7:00p.m.
Ar. Chicago	5:00p.m.	8:00a.m.
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ANXIOUS TO PURCHASE WILHELMINA AND CARGO

Belgian Relief Commission in Need of Grain and Ships.

But Owners Say They Will Not Consider Sale Until Vessel is Seized by the British Authorities. Expected to Sell.

London, Feb. 8. — Indications today were that the American Commission for Belgian Relief would be successful in its effort to purchase the American steamship Wilhelmina and the food cargo she is taking from New York to Hamburg.

The Wilhelmina's owners are said to be willing to sell, but the price has not been agreed upon. The relief commission is badly in need of the grain carried by the Wilhelmina, and also needs more ships.

It is believed generally in London the American owners could sell at a reasonable price because of the sympathy in the United States for the Belgian sufferers.

Not Until Seized.

New York, Feb. 8. — The sale of the cargo of the American steamship Wilhelmina to the Belgian Relief Commission will not be considered by its owners, unless and until the ship is seized by the British authorities, according to a statement issued today by Norvin L. Lindheim and former Senator Charles A. Downe, counsel for the W. L. Green Commission Company, of St. Louis, the owners of the cargo.

"The statement in the newspapers this morning that the owners of the cargo of the Wilhelmina have intimated to the commission for the relief of Belgium that its offer for the purchase of this cargo will not be considered, has no foundation in fact," their statement read.

"The other statement that negotiation for the sale of the cargo to the Belgian Relief Fund is progressing favorably, is likewise incorrect.

"It is impossible either to accept or decline the offer of the relief fund for the purchase of this cargo until the ship is seized. It cleared for Hamburg and is now on the high seas and should be in German waters by this time. If the ship arrives at its port of destination without being seized, obviously the cargo cannot be sold to the Belgian Relief Fund. When seized the question of how the cargo can best be disposed of will be then considered."

REPUBLICANS AND ALLIES ARE ON DEFENSIVE AGAIN

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without instructions. The opposition then appeared to have the whip-hand, but with the arrival today of Senators Newlands and Senator Smith, of South Carolina, the parliamentary situation was changed. Senator Smith had been expected to return on account of serious illness in his family. His vote and that of Senator Newlands, administration leaders claimed, would make a tie vote on the motion to re-commit with instructions. Then the Vice President would cast the deciding vote.

Debate on Bill General.

The debate on the bill was general during the day. Senator Ransdell opened the discussion while Senator Fletcher began preparation of an amendment to Senator Clarke's motion to re-commit. When it became apparent the Republicans would debate Senator Fletcher's motion, the Democratic leaders withheld it.

When Santor Ransdell had finished, Senator Jones renewed the Republican attack on the bill.

Senators Colt and Dupont followed Senator Jones and then Senator Fletcher's motion to re-commit was offered.

This motion directed the commerce committee to return the bill to the Senate with the two amendments agreed upon in caucus, which, it is understood, will be acceptable to the Progressive Republican Senators, Norris, LaFollette and Kenyon.

Neutrality Amendment.

The amendment to guard against breach of neutrality stipulated in the Fletcher motion would read that "in making purchases of ships during the continuation of the present European war no purchase shall be made in a way which may disturb the conditions of neutrality." This, it is calculated, would prevent the purchase of interned ships belonging to belligerents if the enemy of the belligerent should object to such purchase.

The other amendments would provide that the shipping corporation shall make no charter or lease of any vessel for longer than 12 months and shall specify the rates, charges and fares to be observed as a maximum. The motion to instruct the Commerce committee to adopt was about a dozen amendments was necessary because, as now constituted the majority of the committee are opposed to the bill Senators Clarke, Bankhead and Vardaman, all members of the committee, having joined with the Republican minority. If uninstructed the committee would stand 10 to 7 against the bill.

The vote on the motion to recess clearly indicated the division of the Senate on the motion to re-commit. Senator Kenyon, had he been present, would have voted for a recess. This would have made the result a tie and forced Vice President Marshall to decide. The same situation is expected when the motion to re-commit is put.

The Vice President ruled on a point by Senator Lodge that the motion should be divided into three sections, one on reference with instructions to report forthwith and the others on the amendments separately.

The parliamentary tangle was finally adjusted and the proposed amendment relating to the leasing of ships taken up. Senator Lodge opened the debate.

GINNERY AND MUCH COTTON BURNED AT WALLACE YESTERDAY

Fire Destroys Gin of D .E. Boney With Cotton Seed, Etc.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Warsaw, N. C., Feb. 8.—Fire which is thought to have been started by sparks from the engine of a passing freight train early this morning destroyed the large cotton gin owned by D. E. Boney, together with between 75 and 80 bales of cotton, about 1,000 bushels of cotton seed and about $500 worth of guano, at Wallace.

The amount of insurance if any could not be learned.

Quebec, Que., Feb. 8.—Sir Frances Langlier, lieutenant governor of Quebec, aged 77 years, died here today after several months' illness.

JUDGE CARTER FINES SOLICITOR ABERNETHY

Because He Failed to Sit Down When Told to Do So.

Holding That Act Was in Contempt of Court, the Judge Fines State's Attorney $50, Which He Pays.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 8.—Holding that the fact that Solicitor Charles L. Abernethy did not sit down when told to do so was contempt of court, Judge Frank Carter, who is presiding over Craven county Superior court in session here this week for the trial of criminal cases, this morning placed a fine of $50 on him and ordered him into the custody of the sheriff to be held until 3 o'clock in the afternoon at which time, if the fine was not paid, the solicitor was to be placed in jail.

The affair grew out of the case of State vs. James Baugham, of Washington, N. C., who is charged with having been the indirect cause of the death of James Ringold, an aged white man, near this city several months ago, when an auto which he was driving is alleged to have frightened Mr. Ringold's mule, causing it to run away, throwing the driver out of the buggy and inflicting injuries from which he died a short time later.

This case had been continued from a previous court and by the consent of counsel it was agreed to ask for another continuance. Judge Carter had previously expressed himself in regard to the reckless driving of automobiles and when this case was called there ensued a discussion.

Solicitor Abernethy had something that he wished to say in regard to the case while Judge Carter also had a few remarks to make and after endeavoring to explain his points to the solicitor, he ordered him to take his seat. This he did not do at once and the judge at once placed the fine on him.

Solicitor Abernethy was at once placed in charge of the sheriff and for an hour or more remained in custody, after which he paid the fine, stating to the sheriff that he did so under protest. The affair, being unusual and so far as is known unprecedented in this county, caused quite a sensation for a while, especially in court circles.

CAPT. WOODHOUSE IS A CANDIDATE FOR PLACE

As Superintendent of Coast Guard, Seventh District.

Petition From North Carolina Legislature Presented to Congress —Parker Anderson's Father Dead—Washington News.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Washington, D. C., Feb. 8.—Capt. J. E. Woodhouse, of Currituck county, is one of candidates for superintendent of the coast guard in the Seventh lighthouse district, a place which will be vacant as soon as P. H. Morgan, of Shawboro, who was nominated for the position today, is confirmed by the Senate. Mr. Morgan has held the place for several years, but it was necessary for him to be nominated again under the new law consolidating the life saving service and the revenue cutter service in order to be retired with pay. He is already of retirement age, and will step out as soon as he gets in under the new law.

Mr. Morgan's successor will be chosen from among the lighthouse keepers.

A petition from the North Carolina Legislature to the North Carolina delegation in Congress asking that the Tar Heels here do all they can to have Congress dispense with the requirement that claimants for losses during the Civil war must prove their loyalty to the Union was presented to the House by Representative Pou today.

Luther Rice Anderson, of Orange, Va., father of Parker R. Anderson, a Washington correspondent for North Carolina newspapers, died at his home this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock from pneumonia. He was 63 years old and is survived by a widow, two sons and two daughters.

Leslie McGinnis, of Kings Mountain, has been appointed special agent for the Bureau of the Census in collecting figures for the census of manufacturers. His appointment was secured by the North Carolina senators.

Col. W. G. Lamb, of Williamston, is here. P. R. A.

PUBLICITY WOULD HAVE PREVENTED EUROPEAN WAR.

John Hays Hammond Speaks for International Court of Peace.

Indianapolis, Feb. 8.—In the interests of an international court of peace, John Hays Hammond, Washington chairman of the World Court Committee, and Dr. John Wesley Hill, New York, president of the International Peace Forum, addressed the Indiana legislature today.

"Publicity is what is needed in international affairs," said Mr. Hammond. "Publicity, we now know, would have prevented the European war. That is evidenced by Germany's admission that the line-up of powers was far different from what she expected."

Lexington, Ky., Feb. 8.—The Henry Clay Fire Insurance Company, of this city, and the Great Southern Fire Insurance Company, of Louisville, were merged here today. The announcement stated the great Southern stockholders will get $525,000 in stock and other valuations of the new company.

A FALSE STANDARD OF CULTURE has gained ground in this century which looks upon the bearing and rearing of children as something coarse and vulgar and to be avoided, but the advent of Eugenics means much for the motherhood of the race. Happy is the wife who, though weak and ailing, depends upon Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to restore her to health, and when headaches and backaches are a thing of the past brave sons and fair daughters rise up and call her blessed.

NEW OUTBREAK NOT SO GRAVE AS THE FORMER

Serious Setback in Campaign Against Plague, However

Reappearance of Foot and Mouth Disease in Nine Cities Less Serious Because Farm Stock Not Involved.

Washington, Feb. 8.—While reappearance of the foot and mouth disease in stock yards in nine cities admittedly is a serious setback in the campaign against the plague, Department of Agriculture officials said today the new outbreak did not present so grave a situation as the original infection because it did not attack stock held on farms.

All the cattle infected in the yards at Chicago, Pittsburgh, Louisville, Buffalo, Cincinnati, Columbus, Indianapolis, Jersey City and Baltimore were for immediate slaughter. The yards will remain closed until they have been thoroughly disinfected. Elimination of the infection, a Department statement said, "Is practically a matter of disinfecting all cars used in these shipments and all yards through which they have passed."

Situation at Chicago.

Chicago, Feb. 8.—The Chicago Union Stock Yards, Chicago, have been under partial Federal quarantine since January 29 because of threatened outbreak of food and mouth disease were reopened today for the interstate shipment of cattle. No cattle, however, maybe held for more than 48 hours.

Squads of men are still applying disinfectants to the yards. It was said that the work of disinfecting the entire plant would require at least a week more.

The live stock market was demoralized here today after the raising of the Federal quarantine on the stock yards. The trouble began with the establishment in Pennsylvania of an absolute rquaantine against Illinois cattle. This cut off about 60 per cent. of the shipments to the East from this city.

AMERICAN DEATH RATE SEEMS TO BE INCREASING.

Higher in 1913 Than in 1912 According to Figures from Registration.

Washington, Feb. 8.—A death rate in 1913 of 14.1 per 1,000 of the estimated population in the registration area of the United States compared with 13.9 per 1,000 in 1912, is shown in a report today by the census bureau. The number of deaths in the registration area, containing about two-thirds of the population, was approximately 890,948.

Washington State showed the lowest rate, being 8.5 per 1,000, while New Hampshire's was the highest with 17.1. The lowest rate shown in 1913 by any of the 50 registration cities with populations of 100,000 or over in 1910 was that for Seattle, which was 8.4 while Memphis showed the highest with 20.8.

The average age at death for both sexes from all causes combined was 39.8; for males alone 39.2; for females 40.6. Nearly 18 per cent of all deaths were of infants under one year of age and more than 25 per cent were of children under five years.

BANKER RAINE PLEADS GUILTY.

To Charges of Using Mails to Defraud by Circulating False Statements.

Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 8.—C. H. Raine, president of the old Mercantile Bank, pleaded guilty in Federal Court here today to indictments charging fraud and misuse of the mails. District Attorney Hubert Archer recommended penalty at five years in Federal prison, but Judge McCall deferred sentence until Wednesday.

Indictments alleging that over $1,000,000 of the bank's funds were misappropriated are pending in the State courts.

The indictments to which Raine pleaded today charged that Raine had unlawfully, wilfully and feloniously devised and intended to devise a scheme and artifice to defraud" by mailing fictitious reports on the bank's financial standing.

STEAMER FLYING GERMAN FLAG CREATES EXCITEMENT.

Was Only Seeking an Anchorage to Escape Wharfage Charges.

New York, Feb. 8—The unusual sight of a steamship flying the German flag, passing quarantine, apparently bound to sea, coincidental with an official marine report that a British warship was off Fire Island, bound toward the entrance of the harbor, created excitement in shipping circles this afternoon until the German vessel, after passing through the Narrows, turned and anchored in Gravesent bay.

The ship proved to be the Harburg, which was merely seeking an anchorage to escape wharfage charges, according to her agents. She hove to alongside her sistership, the Magdeburg.

Cleveland, O., Feb. 8.—Settlement of the strike of 15,000 Eastern Ohio coal miners appeared farther away than ever when a conference between operators and mine workers adjourned tonight. It is believed the conference, presided over by Federal conciliators, will end tomorrow with no possibility of an agreement in sight.

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WANTED — COUNTRY BOY, 14 OR 15 years old, to work in grocery store. Apply in own handwriting, state experience if any. Address JJJ, care Star. fe9-1t*

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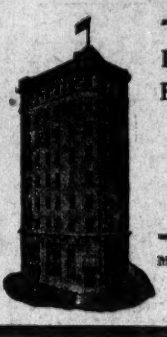

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